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SWEEPING GOVERNMENT CONTROL IN LABOUR AND INDUSTRY

JAPANESE FOREIGN MINISTER SOUNDS A WARNING TO U.S.

TOKYO, JAN. 21 (REUTERS).—RECALLING THE EXCHANGE OF DIPLOMATIC REPRESENTATIVES WHICH HAS TAKEN PLACE BETWEEN JAPAN AND AUSTRALIA, THE FOREIGN MINISTER, MR. MATSUOKA, speaking at the reopening of the Diet this morning, expressed the expectation that the two countries would contribute towards the promotion of peace in the Pacific by further strengthening friendly relations through cordial co-operation and the elimination of unnecessary misunderstandings.

Mr. Matsuoka warned the United States that Japan could not countenance the American assumption that her first line of defence in the West extends from

China and the South Seas, charging the United States "evinced no adequate understanding of the fact that the establishment of a sphere of common prosperity throughout Greater East Asia is truly a matter of vital concern to Japan."

Mr. Matsuoka stated Japan's desire to remove mutual misunderstanding and if possible, bring about a fundamental and far-reaching adjustment of diplomatic relations with Russia.

THAILAND DISPUTE

Regarding the Thailand-Indo-China dispute, he declared Japan, as the leader of East Asia, cannot be indifferent to such a dispute.

Mr. Matsuoka predicted the goal of the Tripartite Pact, namely, a new world order, would surely be accomplished and the future of the Japanese Empire will be great.

Mr. Matsuoka announced for the first time the conclusion of the provisional fisheries agreement with the Soviet for this year and an agreement to form a mixed commission to draft a permanent pact.

PREMIER'S ADDRESS

"Our Empire today faces the gravest emergency in its history," declared the Premier, Prince Kono, addressing the House of Peers when the Diet met after the new year recess.

The Premier gravely warned the Diet that "we must perfect national structure devoted to national defence by developing to the highest degree the total power of the nation in order to procure sufficient armaments for the execution of our national policies."

"Abroad, we must achieve the vast development of our national destinies by taking appropriate measures in light of international developments designed to establish a new order throughout Greater East Asia, mainly based upon objectives of the China Affair."

"WORLD PEACE"

Prince Kono asserted that by the conclusion of the Three-Power Pact, Japan sought "to attain the great objective of securing world peace and achieving stability in Greater East Asia."

Japan, he added, did not desire any extension of the conflict but various obstacles still lay in her path.

Situation Reviewed By Bevin: Right Of Dismissal Will Be Taken Away From Employer NATIONAL REGISTRATION OF WORKERS' BILL SOON

Aeroplane Going Through Process Of Rapid Evolution

A BILL TO PROVIDE FOR THE NATIONAL REGISTRATION OF WORKERS WILL BE READY SHORTLY.

This was announced by MR. ERNEST BEVIN, Minister of Labour and National Service, in London yesterday. Mr. Bevin added that before long arrangements would have to be made for the registration of men of 19 and those above 36.

THE BILL WOULD PROVIDE FOR SWEEPING GOVERNMENT CONTROL IN LABOUR AND INDUSTRY.

Mr. Bevin was reviewing the labour situation. He said that output in factories had been maintained at the high level reached last summer.

BOOTHBY INQUIRY REPORT

LONDON, Jan. 21 (Reuters).—A sensation was caused in political circles by the report of the Select Committee of the House of Commons, which inquired into the conduct of MR. ROBERT BOOTHBY, Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Food, in connexion with the payment, out of Czech assets in Britain, of claims against the Czech Government and institutions.

The Committee finds that "Mr. Boothby's conduct was contrary to usage and derogatory to the dignity of the House and inconsistent with the standards which Parliament is entitled to expect from its members."

The Committee declares itself satisfied that promise to pay Mr. Boothby a considerable sum of money was given on the understanding that he would render services in return, including political speeches and pressure on Ministers of the Crown and Treasury officials.

Mr. Boothby was suspended from duty at his own request when the inquiry was instituted.

The aeroplane was going through a process of rapid evolution and each week saw an increase in the number of aircraft made available for active service.

Mr. Bevin said that they could not look forward that superiority until victory was achieved.

Merchant shipping had continued to show an increase by more than one-third of the figures for last year.

The whole problem of manpower would come under discussion shortly and use would be made of every available citizen.

HEAVY DEMAND

There was a heavy demand for men and women for service in munition works and in civil defence.

Industries engaged in certain kind of work would be brought under control and the right of dismissal will be taken away from employers and no employee would be allowed to leave without permission from the Government.

The whole question of restriction of production would have to be revised.

A Bill to cover all these proposals had been under discussion and would be ready at an early date.

PREMIER'S MESSAGE TO MALTA

Mr. Winston Churchill has sent the following message to the Governor-General of Malta, Lt.-Gen. W. G. S. Dobbie:—

"I thank you on behalf of the War Cabinet and offer you our congratulations for the heroic defence which your garrison, aided by the Navy and Royal Air Force, is making against the German attacks. The whole Empire is watching Malta day by day and I am sure that success, as well as glory, will reward your efforts."

NINETEEN DOWNED

Nineteen enemy raiders were shot down during the mass attacks over Malta—eleven by fighters and eight by A.A. fire, states a London message.—(Special)

The Labour Minister concluded, "I am convinced there will be a great response to wise leadership however difficult the task people may be called upon to perform."—(Special)

ROOSEVELT'S SPEECH EMPHATIC ANSWER TO THE DEFEATISTS

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT'S DECLARATION OF HIS DETERMINATION TO PRESERVE DEMOCRACY has been given a warm welcome in the British and American Press, states a London message.

A comment by American Radio and by the newspapers show a surprising unanimity of approval and the speech is regarded as an emphatic answer to the defeatists.

Mr. Roosevelt summed up the opinion of the whole free world when he said: "No—democracy is not dying. We know it, because we have seen it grow. Democracy needs the full support of the whole enlightened world."—(Special).

DOOM OF NAZIISM

LONDON, Jan. 21 (Reuters).—The voice from Washington has now pronounced the doom of Nazism. Invoking against it an "irresistible impact" of faith and energy of the great Western democracy, says the DAILY TELEGRAPH in a leader on President Roosevelt's third inaugural address.

The President has ample warrant in the march of events for his proud and noble confidence that the American people will be worthy of the task which the faith in freedom now requires of them. His speech was a summons to his nation to be worthy of those who established the United States and maintained the union.

STEEL REASONS

Mr. Roosevelt put into a few sentences, trenchant steel reasons why democracy is of a higher efficiency than tyranny: freedom alone enlists the full force of men's will and gives their initiative and strength full expression.

This has been the faith of America and the British Commonwealth for many a year and we proved it in one armageddon.

The real peril now, says Mr. Roosevelt, is inaction and he asked from his people a proof of the fullness of its "will to live."

There is no more doubt of the answer of America than of our own.

COASTAL COMMAND WATCH BARGES

In a review of the work of the Coastal Command, it was revealed in London yesterday that German barges prepared for the invasion of Britain are still being kept in readiness in Channel ports, states a London message.

Watch on these barges is part of the work of the Coastal Command, who are assisted by the R.A.F. comprised of Australian, Polish, Belgian and Czech airmen.—(Special)

High Morale Of British People

REPORT FROM U.S. CORRESPONDENT CONFIRMED

A recent report from an American correspondent in Britain on the high morale of the British people, has been confirmed by special Government enquiries throughout the country, states a message from Sydney.

British authorities are disposed to agree with Col. Frank Knox, U. S. Secretary for Navy, when he declared that the recent German air thrust is part of a plan for an invasion of Britain which may be made in 60 or 90 days.

The Government enquires show that the people of Britain will stand up to any bombing provided families are not separated.

The British Prime Minister's announcement that months of bombardment lay ahead of Britain, was received without a murmur of dismay from the British public and showed the courage of the British people in their darkest hour.

Organisations from communal feeding are being carried out and the decision to retain family groups has had a big effect on the morale of the people and is a far superior measure which separates husbands, wives and children, who rarely hear from one another.—(Special)

DUCHESS OF KENT'S BROADCAST

The Duchess of Kent made her first broadcast on Monday night, when she spoke of the work of the Women's Royal Naval Reserve, states a London message. Her Highness congratulated them on the wonderful work they have carried out in air raids.—(Special)

Today's News Summary

POLITICAL SENSATIONS are reported in London and Chungking. In the British capital it has been caused by the report of the Select Committee of the House of Commons into the inquiry concerning Mr. Robert Boothby, then Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Food, while in Chungking, the leading Chinese daily has revealed that the trouble regarding the New Fourth Army began in July last year and publishes details of two battles.

THE HANDING OVER OF the Italian war machine to German control will be the most probable outcome of the secret meeting between the dictators, according to reports. An early sequel to the parley is likely to be the dispatch of more German air squadrons to the Mediterranean.

SPEAKING IN LONDON, Admiral of the Fleet Lord Chatfield said that ships could still command the sea and this was shown by the fact that H.M.S. Southampton was the first ship to be lost by air attack since the outbreak of war.

SWEEPING GOVERNMENT CONTROL in industry and labour is foreshadowed and a Bill to provide for the national registration of workers is ready and will shortly be introduced in Britain, according to the Minister of Labour and National Service.

BRITISH MERCANTILE LOSSES due to enemy action are well below the average for the fifth week in succession.

THE JAPANESE FOREIGN MINISTER has warned the United States that Japan could not countenance the American assumption that the first line of defence in the West extends from China and the South Seas.

TRANSFER OF ITALIAN WAR MACHINE TO GERMAN CONTROL

GERMAN PROPAGANDISTS ARE TRYING TO WHIP UP THEIR PEOPLE ABOUT THE MEETING THAT HAS TAKEN PLACE BETWEEN HITLER AND MUSSOLINI, but they have not been allowed to go beyond the terms of the official communiqué, which contains usual phrases of the meeting having taken place in a cordial atmosphere and the renewed affirmation between the two dictators in their present war aims, states a message from London.

A Turkish newspaper, commenting on the meeting, says: "There is a great difference between this meeting and the last. Then Mussolini met Hitler as an equal. Now he goes to beg assistance not only for himself but to preserve the prestige of Italy."

A message from Sydney states that German aid to Italy did not look as useful as it did some time ago.

NEW SUBMARINE

LONDON, Jan. 21 (BWS).—A new submarine has been built in a British shipyard to take the place of the vessel Orzel, which made a remarkable escape from the Baltic on Oct. 1939 and was presumed lost after striking the first blow at the time of the German invasion of Norway by sinking a troop transport in the Skagerrak in April last.

The ceremony of naming the Sokol Polish word for Falcon, was attended, among others, by the Polish Prime Minister, General Sikorski.

In a comment, summing up the secret meeting, the diplomatic correspondent of the DAILY TELEGRAPH, declares that the purpose of the meeting was the transfer of the Italian war machine to German control. This may not be palatable to Italy, but Mussolini was compelled to accept the German terms.

Signor Gayda, in an article yesterday admits that the object of the meeting was to secure a single arm force with unity of command.—(Special)

A message from Reuters says that Mussolini returned to Rome yesterday accompanied by Ciano. The news that Bulgaria will suspend all her railway traffic, as Slovakia.

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Sensation In Chungking

CHUNGKING, Jan. 21 (Reuters).—A political sensation has been provided by an editorial in today's TAKUNGPAO, leading Chungking daily, which for the first time reveals that the trouble with the New Fourth Army began last July and then goes on to make a fervent appeal to the Government to be cautious and lenient in its settlement, trouble for fear of endangering China's hard won national unity.

"This affair so far as we know, is not a surprise," says the Takungpao quoting a telegram from General Ho Ying-ching and Pao Chung-hai (Minister and Vice-Minister of War, respectively) and addressed to Generals Chu Teh, Peng Teh-huai, Yeh Ting and Hsiang Ying, Communist leaders, complaining of the conflicts between the New Fourth Army and the Central Government troops.

The telegram gave details of the two battles first, when the New Fourth Army units under Commanders Chen Yi and Kwang Wen crossed the Yangtze River into Kiangsu, and second, on Oct. 4,

when the New Fourth Army units again attacked Gen. Han Teh-ching's troops, killing one regimental commander, capturing a divisional brigade commander and other officers and men, totalling "several thousands."

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RACING CARNIVAL

Entries For First Day

ENTRIES FOR THE 57 EVENTS TO BE DECIDED IN THE ANNUAL RACE MEETING OF THE HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB, to be held on Feb. 15, 17, 18, 19 and 22, must be considered entirely satisfactory as there are no less than 12 races for which more than 60 ponies have been entered.

The biggest entry is for the Sandringham Plate—the last race of the Third Day—for which 93 ponies have been entered. Next comes Australian Valley Stakes (last race of First Day) with 75, followed by the Garrison Cup (seventh race of Second Day) which attracted 72 entries. There are 69 entries for both the Governor's Cup (fourth race of Second Day) and the Albury Stakes (first race of the Third Day); while the Rooter-Hill Derby has 66 entries and the Royal Navy Cup 65, the eighth and sixth races, respectively, on the Third Day. The Warrego Plate, to be decided on the Fourth Day, has attracted 63 entrants.

For the sectional events, the Flemington Plate (Off Day) has the largest number of entries, 109, with 54 drawn for the first section and 55 for the second. Then comes the Blue Mountain Plate (Fourth Day) with 104 entries, 52 in each of the two sections; followed by 96 (32 in each of the three sections) in the Sydney Maiden Stakes (First Day), and 89 (44 in first and 45 in second) in the Perth Plate (Second Day).

The opening event of the meeting, the Challenge Cup, has, however, attracted only 11 ponies. The Poochow Cup, on the Second Day, has 15 entries; the Victoria Stakes (Third Day) 18; the Ladies Purse on the Fourth Day, 19, and the last event of the meeting—The Benarba Handicap—29.

1.—11.30 a.m.—Challenge Cup.—Value \$1,500. For China Ponies. Weight for inches as per scale. To be won two years consecutively by a Pony or Ponies the bona fide property of the same owner or owners. Winner to receive \$1,000 and 70 per cent. Second \$350 and 20 per cent. Third \$250 and ten per cent. of the Entrance Fees until the Cup is finally won, when the second pony will receive 75 per cent. and the Third Pony 25 per cent. of the Entrance Fees in addition to the place money. Entrance \$10. One and Three Quarter Miles.

Burford 152 lbs., Clember 152, Coniston Bay 152, Eve of Harvest 149, Eve of Heaven 152, Happy Eye 149, Johnner 152, Navy Light 152, O-Lan 149, Racylight 152, White Diamond 152.

2.—12.00 Noon.—Sydney Maiden Stakes.—(First Section).—Winner \$1,500. Second \$500. Third \$300. For Australian Subscription Ponies of 1941. Weight for inches as per scale. Entrance \$10. Six Furlongs.

A Fine Time 152 lbs., Angel of Peace 149, Anzac Day 149, Araxy II 152, Baggage Master 152, Bendigo 152, Buckfastleigh 152, Casino 149, Corsair 149, Dashing Beauty 152, Daylight 152, Dignitas 149, Double Dutch 152, Endeavour 152, Fresh Air 149, Jungle Love 149, King's Flight 152, Look See 152, Macy 149, Mainsail 152, Maple Leaf 149, National Blessings 152, Newborn Star, 152, Ogle 152, Optima Fide 152, Royal Sovereign 152, Seal River 149, Strathalbyn 149, Sunspot 152, Sydney Diamond 152, Too Hot 152, United Express 152.

3.—12.30 p.m.—Austral Valley Stakes.—Winner \$1,750. Second \$600. Third \$400. For Australian Ponies, Griffins of this Meeting. Weight for inches as per scale. Entrance \$10. One Mile.

A Happy Time 152 lbs., A Luxurious Time 152, Amusement Tax 152, Canberra 149, Colooma 152, Distant View 152, First Love 152, Fleetwing 152, Gay Fox 152, Gloaming 152, Graceful View 152, Hascossay 152, Hornpipe 152, Iron Belle 152, King's Welcome 149, Lotus Stand 152, Man-O-War 152, Marsh Warbler 152, Miss Chalfont 149, Misty View 152, National Courage 152, Nomine Poenoe 152, Odin 152, Oracle 149, Pigtail 152, Prairie View 152, Ratio Decidendi 152, Riverside 152, Starlight 152, Sunlight 152, The Nineteenth Hole 152, Tropical Love 152, Vanguard 152, Vis Major 152, Woodbridge 152.

9.—4.30 p.m.—Sydney Maiden Stakes.—(Third Section).—Winner \$1,500. Second \$500. Third \$300. For Australian Subscription Ponies of 1941. Weight for inches as per scale. Entrance \$10. Six Furlongs.

A Just Time 149 lbs., Archber 152, A Rosy Time 149, Battle 152, Bendemeer 152, Bona Vacantia 152, Boneshaker 152, Corvette 152, Dutch Treat 152, Flying Fortress 152, Gold Rod 149, Happy Returns 149, Hawaiian Love 152, High Hat 149, Leading Star 152, Lodestar 149, Manhattan 149, May 152, Moonlight 149, National Welfare 152, Never-Never 152, Newmarket Day 149, Riverbridge 152, Rocky Beach 152, Snow White 149, Splitfire 149, Tenth of November 152, Tien Tien 149, Trade Wind 149, Twinkling Star 152, Vitamin M. 152, Willow 152.

10.—5 p.m.—Trial Plate.—Winner

HOLIDAY CRICKET

H.K.C.C. TEAM TO MEET K.C.C.

The H.K.C.C. 1st XI will meet the Kowloon C.C. 1st XI in a two-day cricket match during the Chinese New Year holidays on Jan. 27 and 28 on the Chater Road ground commencing both days at 11 a.m.

The Hongkong C.C. will be represented by the following:—H. Owen-Hughes (Capt.), L. T. Ride, Maj. D. C. E. Grose, 2/Lt. T. A. Pearce, 2/Lt. J. L. C. Pearce, D. McLellan, F. Baker, T.G.C. Knight, A. R. Perry, D. I. Bosanquet and R. H. Griffiths.

MATCH ON SATURDAY

The H.K.C.C. 2nd XI v. Police R.C. on Saturday, at 2 p.m. will be represented by the following:—C. W. E. Bishop (Capt.), N. D. Booker, G. J. P. Carey, H. Owen-Hughes, D. O. Parsons, D. S. Robb, H. J. Armstrong, G. P. Charlton, W. G. Finnie, I. P. Tamworth and E. W. Pudney.

COLONY CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP

DRAW FOR OPEN TOURNAMENT

The draw, round by round, for the Colony Open Chess Championship Tournament (1941) has been announced as follows:—

TUES. FEB. 4:—D. E. de Carvalho v. C. M. Sequeira; G. S. Coxhead v. E. Zimmern; L. Karpovich v. K. Weiss.

THURS. FEB. 6:—Zimmern v. Carvalho; Karpovich v. Sequeira; Weiss v. Coxhead.

TUES. FEB. 11:—Carvalho v. Weiss; Sequeira v. Zimmern; Coxhead v. Karpovich.

THURS. FEB. 13:—Coxhead v. Carvalho; Weiss v. Sequeira; Zimmern v. Karpovich.

TUES. FEB. 18:—Carvalho v. Karpovich; Sequeira v. Coxhead; Zimmern v. Weiss.

THURS. FEB. 20:—Sequeira v. Carvalho; Zimmern v. Coxhead; Weiss v. Karpovich.

TUES. FEB. 25:—Carvalho v. Zimmern; Sequeira v. Karpovich; Coxhead v. Weiss.

THURS. FEB. 27:—Weiss v. Carvalho; Zimmern v. Sequeira; Karpovich v. Coxhead.

TUES. MARCH 4:—Carvalho v. Coxhead; Sequeira v. Weiss; Karpovich v. Zimmern.

THURS. MARCH 6:—Karpovich v. Carvalho; Coxhead v. Sequeira; Weiss v. Zimmern.

CHESS RESULT

In the Senior Championship of the Kowloon Chess Club played yesterday evening, B. D. Evans defeated W. Lee.

ARMY-CLUB HOCKEY MATCH OFF

The hockey match between Army (British Rank) and the Hongkong Hockey Club was not played at Sookunpoo yesterday afternoon due to the poor weather.

SPORTING FIXTURES TODAY

BADMINTON.—"B" Division: Section "A," J.R.C. v. V.R.C.; Section "B," King's College; Section "C," St. John's v. K.C.C.; St. Andrew's v. Police.

FOOTBALL.—Kotewall Cup Competition: Army v. Navy (Caroline Hill), 4 p.m.

RIFLE SHOOTING.—Hongkong Rifle Association. Spoon and Practice Shoot at Kowloon City, 1.45 p.m.

RUGBY.—Quadrangular Tournament, Navy v. Police (Causeway Bay) 4.15 p.m.

SWIMMING.—Exhibition Swim by Rikkyo University team (European Y.M.C.A. pool) (time not decided).

\$1,500 Second \$500. Third \$300. For China Ponies, bona fide Griffins of this Meeting. Weight for inches as per scale. Entrance \$10. One and a Quarter Miles.

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SOCCER REVIEW

SOUTH CHINA ONCE AGAIN ON LEVEL TERMS WITH SING TAO

Kwong Wah Now Fifth In Senior League

BY "PILAT"

For the second successive week-end the football programme was marred by rain and, on Saturday, spoilt what promised to be the most interesting and best game of the season—that between SOUTH CHINA and EASTERN, which was won by the former by the odd goal in five at Caroline Hill.

This victory has brought South China once again on level terms with Sing Tao while Eastern have been relegated to third place in the League standings. It is ironic that Eastern twice had a very good chance of clinching the championship but, on each occasion, they let the opportunity slip through.

On Dec. 8 last, after leading Sing Tao 2-0, they allowed the latter to draw level within ten minutes from time, while if they had won on Saturday it would have given them a lead of a point over Sing Tao and three points over South China.

MUST WIN

Taking the field with the knowledge that they must win the match to keep in the running, South China made amends for their bad defeat the previous week and did to Eastern what Sing Tao did to them—going all out from the sound of the whistle and before their opponents' defence had time to settle.

In fact, so well was their plan carried out that it must have been a long time since Lau Chi-tang, Hsu King-sing and Lo Wai-kuen did so much running.

The persistent attacks of South China had the backs, Kong Sing-king and Ng Kee-cheong, so flustered that they were drawn out of position time and again while Ng's mis-kicking brought his side more than one anxious moment.

On the other hand, South China's intermediate line—Lau Chung-sang, Lau Hing-choi and Tse Kam-hung—played a sound and constructive game, supported by two solid backs in Tsang Chung-wan and Lee Kwok-wai.

Eastern's attack, one of the most dangerous in the League, found conditions not quite to their liking and never could get into their stride and when they did, in the second half, they found it hard to turn the tide, though they were mostly on the offensive in this half.

There is every likelihood of a play-off between South China and Sing Tao for the title. The latter have yet to meet Middlesex and Police, who beat them in the first game, while South China have to meet Navy, and any of these teams are capable of causing an upset.

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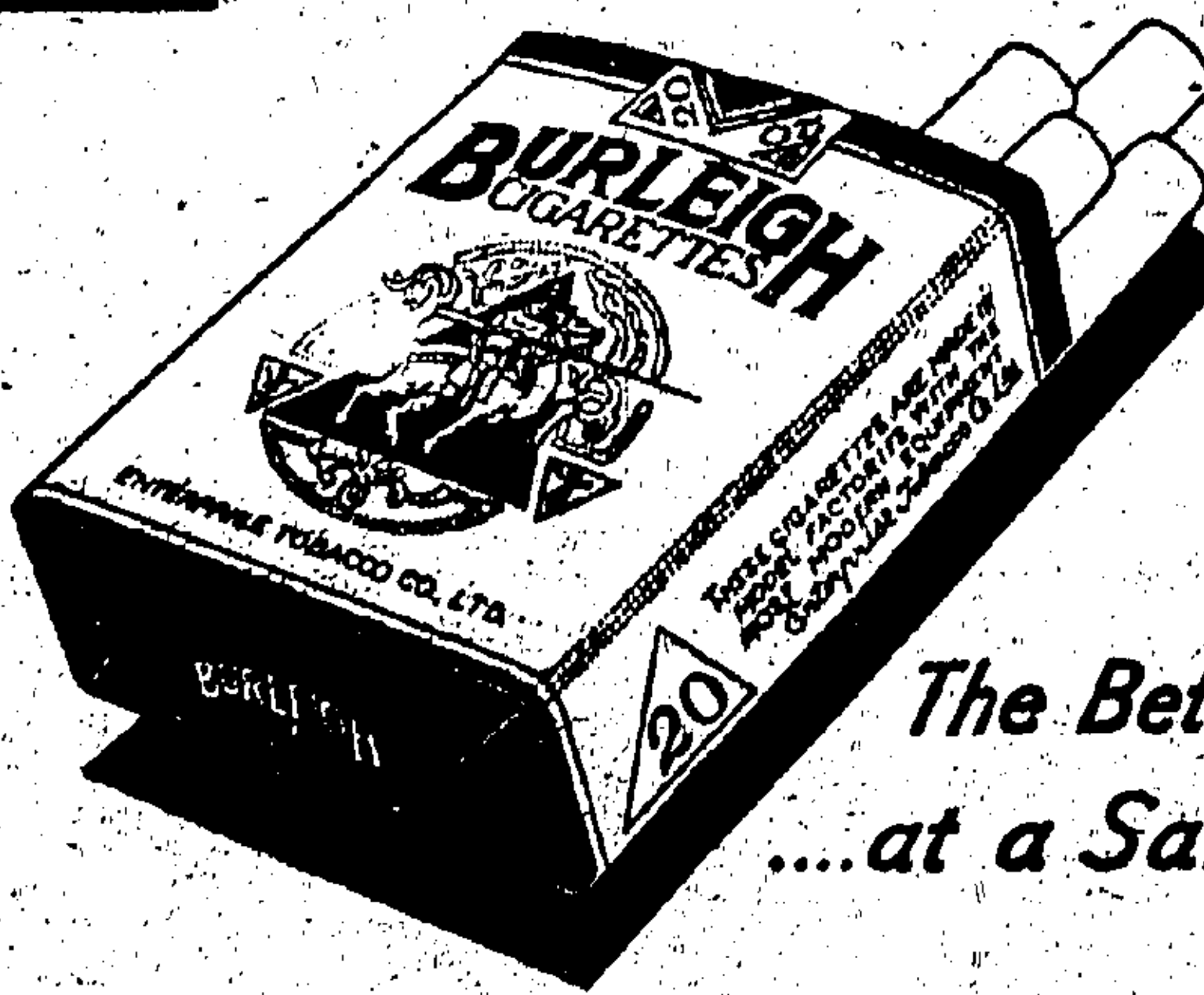
The Kotewall Cup football match between the Navy and the Army, fixed for this afternoon at Caroline Hill, has been postponed. It is officially learned from the Hongkong Football Association.

The Royal Engineers proved too good for the Royal Scots in the final of the Small Units Rugby League, played at Sookunpoo yesterday, winning by nine points to nil.

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12.15 p.m. Short Service of Intercession.

12.30 Primo Scala's Accordion Band and Sam Browne (Vocal).

Sons of the "Old Contemptibles" (Lynton and Others); The Same Old Lovers' Lane (Martin and Others); Primo Scala's Accordion Band with Vocal by Jack Cooper. Lost (Tector and Others); A Melody from the Sky (film "The Trail of the Lonesome Pine")—Sam Browne (Bartone) with Orchestra. Hill-Billy Medley—Intro: The Last Round Up; Will the Angels play their Harps for me; Home on the Range; Wagon Wheels; Ole Faithful; Roll along, Covered Wagon—Primo Scala's Accordion Band. Sam Browne Requests: Intro. Just One More Chance; Let's Put Out the Light and Go to Sleep; When Day is Done—Sam Browne (Bartone) with Orchestra. My Heaven in the Pines (Conrad and Others); Meet Me Down in Sunset Valley (Gilbert)—Primo Scala's Accordion Band.

1.00 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 Mendelssohn—Concerto in E Minor, Op. 64.

1st Mov: Allegro molto appassionato; 2nd Mov: Andante; 3rd Mov: Allegretto non troppo—Fritz Kreisler (Violin) and The State Opera Orchestra.

1.45 Variety with Elsie Carlisle and The Street Singer.

Vocal—Elsie Carlisle Medley—Intro: Gertie, the girl with the gong; Home, James; No, No, a thousand times no; Dirty hands; Little chap with a big idea; Little man, you've had a busy day—Elsie Carlisle with Orchestra.

Vocal—Serenade in the Night (Cherubini and Others); Old Sailor (Godfrey, Kennedy)—The Street Singer.

Arthur Tracy with Instru. acc. Instru.—Whispers at the Dance; Maria Mari (di Capua)—Serge Krieh Septet. Vocal—He's an Angel (Hodges)—Elsie Carlisle with Orch.

Vocal—South Sea Island Magic (Tomerlin, Long); When the Poppies Bloom Again (Pelosi and Others)—The Street Singer (Arthur Tracy) with Instrumental acc.

2.15 Close down.

6.45 Indian Programme.

6.30 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.32 Compositions of Bach.

Hark, Then, To The Soft Chorus of Flutes—Hedwig v. Debitzka (Soprano) with Orch. Sonata No. 3 in E—1st Mov: Adagio; 2nd Mov: Allegro; 3rd Mov: Adagio ma non tanto; 4th Mov: Allegro—Isolde Menges (Violin) and Harold Samuel (Piano).

Cantata No. 85—Aria: See, What His Love—Georges Thill (Tenor) with Orchestra. Choral—Prelude (We believe in one God alone)—Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra cond. by Leopold Stokowski.

7.00 London Relay—The News.

7.15 London Relay—"Questions of the Hour."

7.20 Studio—Talk on Ballet illustrated by gramophone records.

8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 Piano Duets by Hawley and Landauer.

Rosalia (from the film); The Street Singer—Film Selection.

8.12 Musical Comedy "Please Teacher."

Bobby Howes and Company with the London Hippodrome Chorus and Orchestra.

8.30 Dance Music by Maurice Winnick and His Orchestra.

Fox-Trots—At The Cafe Continental; On the Beach at Ball-Ball; Waltz—Who's Taking You Home To-

night? Fox-Trot—My Capri Serenade; Fox-Trots—You, A Pretty Girl Is Like A Melody (film "The Great Siegfried"); Slow Fox-Trot—The Sweetest Music This Side of Heaven; Fox-Trots—Alone Again; A Melody from the Sky (film "The Trail of the Lonesome Pine").

9.00 London Relay—The News and News Commentary.

9.30 London Relay—Talk: "Democracy Marches."

9.45 A Programme of French Music.

Au Bord De L'Eau (Gabriel Faure); Apres Un Reve (Gabriel Faure); Ninon Vallin (Soprano) with Piano acc. Cortège (from Three Pieces for 'Cello and Piano'—Gaubert); Piece En Forme De Habanera (Ravel); Maurice Marechal ('Cello) with Maurice Faure at Piano. Lydia (Faure); Les Roses D'Espagne (Faure)—Roger Bourdin (Vocal) with Piano acc. Danse Macabre, Op. 40 (Saint-Saens)—Leopold Stokowski and the Philadelphia Orchestra. At Clair De Lune (Lullu)—Yvonne Printemps (Soprano).

10.14 Violin Solos by Mischa Elman. Thal's—Meditation (Massenet). Serenade (Drdia); Serenade (Drigo).

10.25 Tchaikowsky—Concerto No. 1 in B Flat Minor, Op. 23.

1st Mov: Allegro non troppo e molto—Allegro con spirito; 2nd Mov: Andantino semplice—Prestissimo-tempo primo; 3rd Mov: Allegro con fuoco—Arthur Rubinstein (Piano) and the London Symphony Orchestra cond. by John Barbirolli.

11.00 Close down.

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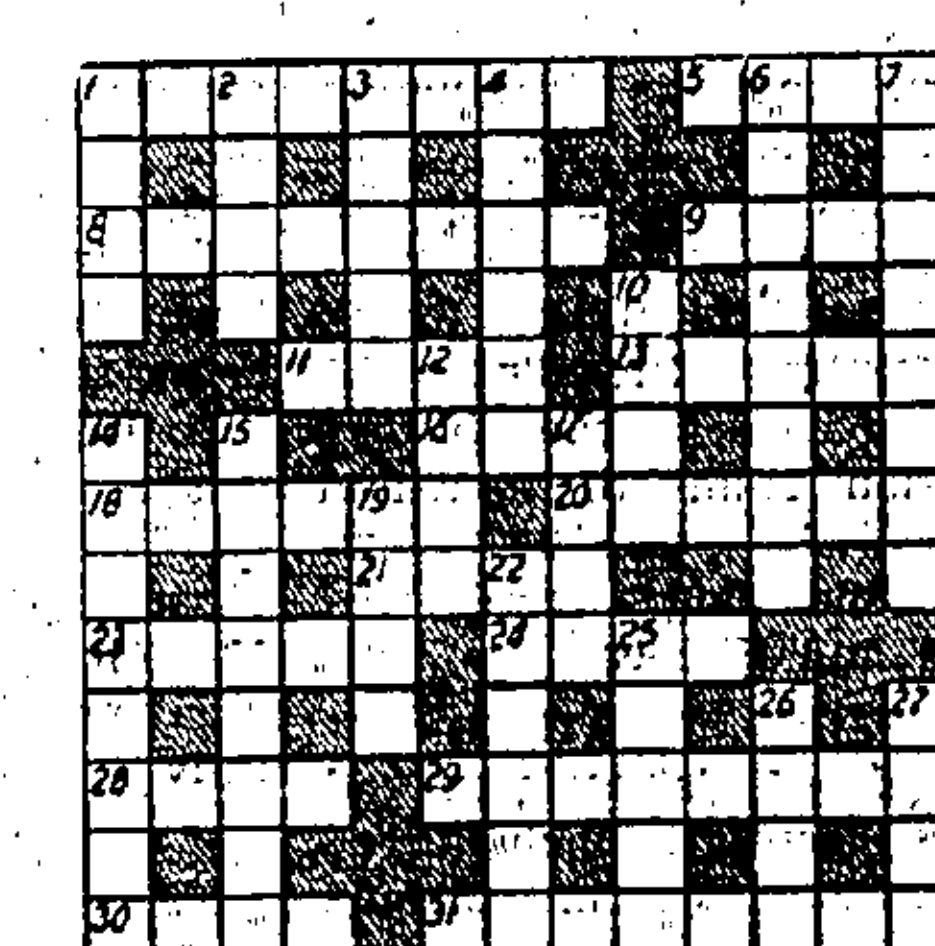
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Trans. II & III—News Summary	7.30 a.m.
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20 Gas
21 Place
23 Woman's name
24 Plague
28 At that time
29 Settler
30 Pull with a jerk
31 Regretted DOWN
1 Boy
2 Meat
3 Coffee

- 17 Remark
19 Jacob's brother
22 Resist
25 Multitude
26 An
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- DOWN: 1, Seaman; 2, Unfair; 3, Whim; 4, Korean; 5, Adored; 6, Mere; 7, London; 9, Tremor; 14, Rower; 15, Ample; 18, Snout; 17, Lemon; 20, Stings; 21, August; 22, Damage; 23, Billet; 24, Turret; 25, Nelson; 28, Seal; 29, Leer

COMING EVENTS

JAN.
22—Tides: High 4.58 a.m. and 5.10 p.m. Low 9.53 a.m.
Sunrise: 7.05 a.m.; Sunset: 6.05 p.m.
Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.).
Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12 noon.
Benefit Performance at King's Theatre in aid of Kungling Mission Hospital, 8.30 p.m.
Chapero Club Dance, 8.30 p.m.
Y.M.C.A. "Twelfth Night" Matinee, 5.30 p.m.
Volunteer Nursing Detachment, Lecture on Home Nursing, 5.30 p.m.; Practical Class, 4.30 p.m.
S. and S. Home: House Committee Meeting, 4.30 p.m.
A.R.P. Mobile Exhibition, 6 p.m.—9 p.m.
Volunteer Sergeants' Mess Committee Meeting, 5.30 p.m.
23—Tides: High 6.10 a.m. and 6.12 p.m. Low 12.51 a.m. and 11.02 p.m.
Sunrise: 7.05 a.m.; Sunset: 6.05 p.m.
H.K. Y's Men's Club, Tiffin Meeting, 1 p.m.
Grand Concert, Lecture Room, Stonecutters for British Troops, 8.30 p.m.
24—Tides: High 8.04 a.m. and 7.07 p.m. Low 1.37 a.m. and 12.07 p.m.
Sunrise: 7.05 a.m.; Sunset: 6.05 p.m.
Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.). Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12 noon.
Asia Lands, Ltd., annual meeting, Mercantile Bank Bldg., 2nd floor, Club, 8.15 p.m.
Old Cheltonian annual dinner, H.K. Queen's College, Prize Day, 11 a.m. 12.30 p.m.
Demonstration by A.R.P. Peak School, 5.45 p.m.
25—Tides: High 9.06 a.m. and 7.58 p.m. Low 2.24 a.m. and 1 p.m.
Sunrise: 7.04 a.m.; Sunset: 6.07 p.m.
Queen's College Prize Day, 11 a.m.
St Andrew's Society, Burns' Dinner, Peninsula Hotel, 7.45 p.m.
26—Tides: High 9.49 a.m. and 8.45 p.m. Low 3.04 a.m. and 1.47 p.m.
Sunrise: 7.04 a.m.; Sunset: 6.08 p.m.
Claims against estate of Charlotte Elizabeth Hastings due.
Y.M.C.A.: Discussion Group, 8 p.m.
27—Tides: High 10.27 a.m. and 9.27 p.m. Low 3.38 a.m. and 2.38 p.m.
Sunrise: 7.04 a.m.; Sunset: 6.09 p.m.
Y.M.C.A.: Whist Drive, 8.30 p.m.
Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.). Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12 noon.
28—Tides: High 11.03 a.m. and 10.08 p.m. Low 4.13 a.m. and 3.17 p.m.
Sunrise: 7.04 a.m.; Sunset: 6.10 p.m.
Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.). Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12 noon.
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ROOSEVELT TAKES OATH OF OFFICE TO BECOME THE FIRST THIRD-TERM PRESIDENT

37 RAIDERS DESTROYED OVER MALTA

MALTA, Jan. 21 (Reuter)—The firmness of the people here in the face of repeated attacks was illustrated by a telegram sent by the Governor to the Colonial Secretary, Lord Lloyd.

It reads: "Malta has taken a very heavy toll of the enemy in recent attacks. The spirit of the people of Malta is as strong as ever."

A total of 17 enemy aircraft were destroyed here on Sunday. It is now officially announced.

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Country Warned Of Danger Of Inaction In Inaugural Address: Armed Man Held

WASHINGTON, JAN. 21 (REUTER)—PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT TOOK THE OATH OF OFFICE AT 1 P.M. THUS BECOMING THE FIRST UNITED STATES THIRD-TERM PRESIDENT. MR. HENRY WALLACE, THE NEW VICE-PRESIDENT, TOOK THE OATH A MINUTE EARLIER. GREAT CHEERING AND APPLAUSE ACCOMPANIED EACH CEREMONY.

The President, in his inaugural address, said: "On each Inauguration Day, the American people have renewed their sense of dedication to the United States. In this day the task of the people is to save that nation and its institutions from disruption from without. To us, there has come a time in the midst of swift happenings to pause for a moment to take stock—to recall what our place in history has been, and to re-discover what we are and what we may be. If we do not, we risk a real peril of inaction."

"The lives of nations are determined not by the count of years but by the lifetime of human spirit. The life of man is three score years and ten, a little more, a little less. The life of a nation is the fullness of the measure of its will to live. There are men who doubt this. There are men who believe that democracy, as a form of government and a frame of life is limited or measured by a kind of mystical and artificial fate; that for some unexplained reason tyranny and slavery have become the surging wave of the future, and that freedom is an ebbing tide."

"But we Americans know that such is not true. Democracy is not dying. We know it because we have seen it revive—and grow. We know that it cannot die because it is built on the unhampered initiative of individual men and women joined together in a common enterprise—an enterprise undertaken and carried through by a free expression of thought."

"We sense that it is still spreading on every continent—for it is the most humane, the most advanced and in the end the most unconquerable of all forms of human society."

MIND OF NATION

"A nation, like a person, has a mind—a mind that must be kept informed and alert, that must know itself, that understands the hopes and needs of its neighbors—all other nations that live within the narrowing circle of the world; and a nation, like a person, has something deeper, something more permanent, something larger than the sum of all its parts."

"It is that something which matters most to its future, which calls forth the most sacred guarding of its present. It is a thing for which we find it difficult, even impossible, to hit upon in a single simple word and yet we all understand what it is—the spirit and the faith of America."

"It is the product of centuries. Democratic aspiration is not a mere recent happening in human history. It is human history. It permeated the ancient life of early peoples, it blazed anew in the Middle Ages. It was written in the Magna Carta."

IRRESISTIBLE IMPACT

"In the Americas, its impact has been irresistible. Those who first came here to carry out the longings of their spirit and the millions who followed and the stock that sprang from them, all have moved forward constantly and consistently towards an ideal which in itself has gained in stature and charity with each generation."

"We know that we still have far to go and that we must more greatly build security and opportunity, for the knowledge of every citizen is in a measure justified by the resources and capacity of the land, but it is not enough to achieve these purposes alone, for there is also the spirit."

"If the spirit of America were killed even though the nation's body and mind, constricted in an alien world, lived on, the American we know would have perished. That spirit, that faith, speaks to us in our daily lives in ways that are often unnoticed. It speaks to us from other nations of this hemisphere and from those across the sea, enslaved as well as free."

"Sometimes we fail to heed these voices because to us the privilege of our freedom is such an old, old story."

SACRED FIRE

Recalling President Washington's first inaugural address in 1789 when he spoke of the "preservation of the sacred fire of liberty and the destiny of the republican model of government" Mr. Roosevelt declared: "If we lose that sacred fire, if we let it be smothered with doubt or fear, then we shall reject the destiny that Washington strove

M. LAVAL TIPPED AS NEW VICHY FOREIGN MINISTER

LONDON, Jan. 21 (Reuter)—The Vichy communique that Marshal Petain and M. Laval have composed their differences would seem to be the result of continuous German pressure and probably indicates that the "Petain Line" has been breached, writes Reuter's Diplomatic correspondent.

If M. Laval, as announced, has been able to clear and allay the "misunderstandings" that led to his summary dismissal and imprisonment just five weeks ago further, Berlin pressure designed to put him back in the Cabinet may be expected.

Nothing has been published in Vichy regarding the new office for M. Laval but Berlin has already tipped him off as "Foreign Minister in a Flandin Cabinet" which one assumed is the role Germany wants to see assigned to him.

It is possible that Herr Hitler was waiting for this "reconciliation" before he met Signor Mussolini because the role to be assigned to France must have an important influence on all immediate and future plans of the Axis in the Mediterranean.

It looks as though this theatre of the war is entering more and more largely into German calculations.

NO CHANGE IN POLICY

VICHY, Jan. 21 (Reuter)—The Petain-Laval meeting involves no change in policy, according to well-informed quarters here as reported by the Havas agency.

The agency says: "In well-informed quarters it is declared that the evergrowing prestige of Petain throughout France has allowed him to take such an initiative while in no way modifying the internal or external policies."

"It is added that the Marshal, who remains at the head of France, occupied or free, as well as beyond the seas, has complete and absolute authority which is recognised by all."

BERATI BOMBED BY R.A.F.

Activity Restricted In Africa

CAIRO, Jan. 21 (Reuter)—Weather conditions in eastern Libya on Sunday restricted air operations considerably, but R.A.F. aircraft carried out a number of reconnaissance and fighter patrols in the forward area. It was announced in a communique from R.A.F. headquarters in the Middle East.

In Albania, a successful raid was made on Berati, where high explosive and incendiary bombs fell on military concentrations and motor transport.

Buildings in the east of the town were also hit, several fires being started.

In Italian East Africa an attack was made on motor transport and gun positions south-east of Tessenet on the night of Jan. 18-19. All bombs fell in the target area but the results could not be fully observed.

KENYA-ABYSSINIA

NAIROBI, Jan. 21 (Reuter)—South African troops have captured prisoners in the El Yibbo area north of Dukana on the Kenya Abyssinia front, according to an official communique issued here.

POLISH SUBMARINE LAUNCHED

LONDON, Jan. 21 (Reuter)—A new submarine named Sokol to replace the famous Polish submarine Orzel has been launched "somewhere in the north."

General Sikorski, the Polish Premier, taking it over, advised Polish sailors to emulate the virtues of the British sailor.

The Orzel escaped from Gdynia and reached Britain after a month of hair-breadth escapes. She was later "presumed lost."

dent, the third car and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Wallace followed.

Chief Justice Hughes, administered the oath to President Roosevelt, who was standing bareheaded.

A sensational incident marked the closing stages of the presidential inauguration.

An unidentified man, carrying a loaded revolver, was arrested by secret service men in the square fronting the White House just before the President returned from the Capitol. The man was taken to hospital for examination.

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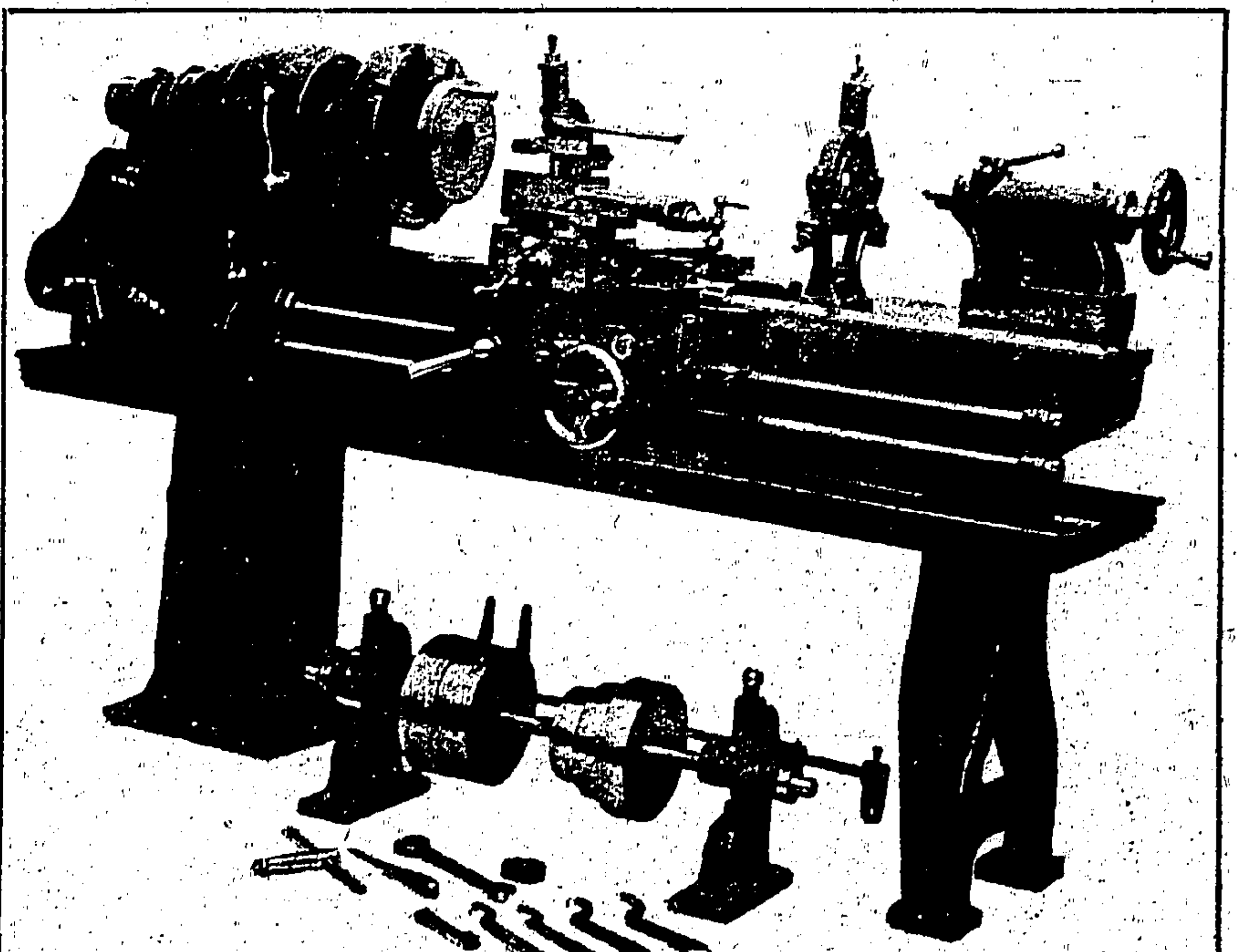
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ACTION TO RESTRAIN POWERS OF POLICE DISMISSED BY THE CHIEF JUSTICE

"The task before me can be very shortly stated in the words of Atkin J. in Lipton v. Ford, 1917 2 K. B. 647. 'All that I have to see is whether the regulation is one that is reasonably capable of being a regulation for securing the public safety and the defence of the realm. If it is I do not think the Court is entitled to question the discretion of the Executive to whom Parliament has entrusted powers in such wide terms.'

"To that question, giving the words of the Regulations their plain and ordinary meaning, and having due regard to the term of the affidavit of Mr. N. L. Smith, there can in my judgment be only one answer. The Defence (Entry Restrictions) Regulations, 1940, are in my opinion not ultra vires and this action therefore fails. There must be judgment for the defendants, and the interim injunction granted by me on Dec. 13 and extended on Jan. 8 until the trial of the action is discharged.

"In view of the conclusion to which I have come I must make an order for costs, but, following McCordie J. in Shutter v. Rolfe (1920) 36 T.L.R. 828, I desire to say that in view of the great public importance of these proceedings, their importance both to the subject and to the State, I think that the Crown ought not to enforce the costs."

The above formed part of the judgment of the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, delivered in the Supreme Court yesterday morning, in the case, in which Mrs. Mabel Evelyn Blair, of No. 12, Broadwood Road, claimed against the Commissioner of Police and Mr. E. C. Luscombe, an Assistant Superintendent of Police, the following declarations:—

Firstly, that Regulation 3 of the Defence (Entry Restrictions) Regulations, 1940, so far as it applies to British subjects resident in the Colony is ultra vires, void and of no effect;

Secondly, that the defendants have no power under Regulation 6 (b) of the said Regulations to compel the plaintiff to leave the Colony against her will;

Thirdly, an injunction to restrain the defendants or any police officers authorised by the first defendant from taking action against the plaintiff under said Regulations;

Fourthly, such further and other relief as shall be just; and Fifthly, costs.

The Hon. Mr. Leo D'Almada, Jr., instructed by Mr. Edgar Davidson, appeared for the plaintiff, Mr. H. C. Machamara, instructed by Mr. E. W. Davies, Crown Solicitor, represented both defendants.

THE FINDINGS

In the course of his judgment, his Lordship, after referring to the Emergency Powers (Defence) Act, 1939, which was passed by the Imperial Parliament on Aug. 24, 1939, and extended to this Colony by Order of His Majesty in Council the following day, stated that on Nov. 19, 1940, the Governor under those Powers made the Regulations entitled the "Defence (Entry Restrictions) Regulations, 1940, under which the competent authority, which was given to mean the Commissioner of Police, was given the right to permit, or refuse, the entry of any person, whether a British subject or not, into the Colony, subject to instructions of the Colonial Secretary who may revoke or vary any decision of the competent authority. Section 6 of the Regulations stated that any person failing to comply with any conditions imposed under Regulation 3 shall be deemed to have contravened the provisions of that Regulation and subject to be detained in police custody until an opportunity occurs of returning him to his port of embarkation or to the country of which he is a national or of sending him to his destination.

The Chief Justice then referred to the correspondence between the plaintiff and the Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith.

DEFENCE ARGUMENTS

Mr. d'Almada's argument, went on his Lordship, fell conveniently under two heads: that the Regulation was so radical, so drastic an invasion of the liberties of the subjects that it could not be justified unless the statute by virtue of which action purports to be taken authorises such invasion, in the clearest and most unequivocal terms; and that the Regulations complained of cannot on any reasonable construction be held to be reasonably necessary for any of the purposes for which under the Act Defence Regulations may be made.

After quoting the various authorities referred to by Mr. d'Almada, his Lordship said, "that, after considering carefully all the reported cases in which Defence of the Realm or Defence Regulations have been challenged as ultra vires, from the Matter of a Petition of Right (1915) to E. H. Jones Machine Tools Limited v. Farrell and Muirsmith (Times Newspaper Aug. 3, 1940), 'certain principles clearly appeared.

ABUSE OF POWERS

"There is a presumption in favour of reasonableness and honesty, and in this case the honesty of the Executive is not challenged. It must not be assumed that the powers conferred upon the Executive by Statute will be abused."

After further reference to other authorities, his Lordship delivered judgment for the defendants with costs.

The full text of the judgment will be published as a Supplement tomorrow.

LIVESTOCK FOR HONGKONG

It is reliably learned that large shipments of livestock and other provisions have arrived in the Colony recently and further supplies are expected in the near future.

The Yunnan, plying between the Colony and Thailand, arrived here recently, with 130 head of cattle and 13,000 bags of rice.

CRIMINAL SESSIONS:

SENTENCE ON ROBBERS DEFERRED: ONE FREED

One was discharged and three others were found guilty when four men were charged before Mr. Justice E. H. Williams at the Criminal Sessions yesterday with robbery by two or more at No. 1 Ladder Terrace on Oct. 6. The accused were Chan Kai, 27 (discharged owing to insufficient evidence), Luk Wing, 24, Tam Ying, 20, and Yeung So, 24.

Mr. J. Reynolds, Crown Counsel, assisted by Chief Detective A. E. Carey, prosecuted, and the following comprised the jury:—Messrs. V. I. G. Petersen (foreman), Fung Yin-kwan, Fung Tak-ming, Luke Cho-ying, F. A. Broadbridge, A. J. Coelho and P. Castilho.

Mr. Reynolds said that on the morning of October 6 at about 10.15 a.m. an amah employed by Ho Suk-tsan, at No. 1 Ladder Terrace, second floor, in answer to a knock, went to the door and saw a man, later identified as third accused, outside, holding a parcel, which the man said had been sent to Ho by her husband.

INMATES TIED

Ho Suk-tsan went to take the parcel and was told by the man that he had a message for her. On her opening the door Ho was pushed aside and the third accused was followed into the house by four or five men. The inmates were tied, gagged and put into a cubicle.

Some of the robbers, Counsel said, were armed with revolvers and others with knives. The key to the safe was obtained from Ho by threatening her and the robbers took from it \$70 Hongkong currency, and many pieces of jewellery and a tube of Government opium.

On Nov. 6 Principal Chinese Det. Shek Tui went to a tea-house at Queen's Road Central and arrested a man named Au Nam and, acting on information given by this man, Chan Kai, Luk Wing and Yeung So were arrested at an address at Yik Yam Street. On the same day Au Nam brought Det. Shek Tui to No. 203 Tai Yuen Street where Tam Ying was arrested and, there and then, Tam had previously taken part in the robbery.

33 MONTHS' GAOL FOR ROBBERY

Found guilty on charges of robbery committed in Kowloon and Hongkong, six men, Au Nam, 20, Chan Kai, 27, Luk Wing, 24, Wong Sing, 21, Tam Ying, 20, and Yeung So, 24, were sentenced by Mr. Justice Williams at the Criminal Sessions yesterday.

Mr. J. Reynolds, Crown Counsel, assisted by Chief Det.-Insp. A. E. Carey, prosecuted, and the following comprised the jury:—Messrs. F. Tyndall (Foreman), Tsoi Wing-kai, S. E. Green, S. A. Hathiwala, Wan Kwong-yiu, Wong Long-chi and Ho Ping-nam.

Au Nam was sentenced to 33 months' hard labour on three robbery charges and a charge of possession of arms.

Luk Wing and Wong Sing, on two charges of robbery, was sentenced to 27 months' hard labour each, while Chan Kai, Tam Ying and Yeung So, found guilty on one charge of robbery, was each sentenced to 12 months.

All defendants, except Chan Kai, were each also sentenced to 12 strokes of the cane.

Irishmen Urge Eire Aid For Britain

At an informal meeting of local Irishmen held on Monday night it was decided to support the messages already sent by North American and Malayan Irishmen urging the President of Eire to give full support to Britain in the present struggle.

The following is the text of the cable sent yesterday:—

"De Valera: President, Eire—Irishmen in Hongkong join with compatriots in Malaya & North America in strongly urging fullest support and co-operation with British Commonwealth of Nations in the war against dictatorships and immediate abandonment of present policy of neutrality."

THREE MEN SENTENCED TO DEATH

Unanimously found guilty by a jury on a capital charge, LAU FAT, CHEUNG KAI-SAU and CHEUNG SAU-FAT, alias Cheung Wai-yuen, were sentenced to death by the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, at the Criminal Sessions yesterday.

The three men were charged with the murder of Cheung Kai, widower, at Cheung Tau Po Village, An Tau, New Territories, on Nov. 22.

First accused was defended by Mr. D. J. N. Anderson, instructed by Mr. H. L. Kwan; second by Mr. T. F. Lo, instructed by Mr. A. el Arculli and the third by Mr. Hin-shing Lo, instructed by Mr. J. M. Hall.

Mr. J. P. Murphy, Assistant Crown Solicitor, appeared for the prosecution, assisted by Det.-Insp. L. R. Whant, and the following jury was empanelled:—Messrs. K. G. Blair (foreman), W. R. Conolly, C. M. Wolosh, S. S. Ruston, Yau Si-lin, Pang Kok-sui and S. A. R. Remedios.

ACCUSED'S DENIAL

At the hearing yesterday, first accused, Lau Fat, in evidence, denied that he committed the murder. When he was asked to help in burying the deceased he refused but second and third accused said they would take the responsibility.

Third accused, stated, in evidence, that there had been no ill-feeling between him and deceased, who borrowed money from him from time to time, but had never quarrelled with deceased.

Mr. Anderson submitted that no motive had been put forward by the Crown as to why his client should kill deceased.

Mr. Lo said that the only evidence against his client was that given by the boy who said that second accused was in the room.

Mr. Hin-shing Lo submitted that there was absolutely no evidence whatsoever to convict his client for the crime apart from his own statement.

Summing-up, his Lordship said that the Crown's case was based mainly on the story given by the boy who could not be said to be very intelligent. His story was full of discrepancies and one insoluble problem was that while it was he who gave information which led to the arrest of third accused he failed to identify him at the parade later.

After retiring for 65 minutes the jury returned a verdict as stated. The jury were exempted from jury duty for 12 months.

NO DOG SHOW

Dog lovers will regret to learn that, due to existing conditions and inability to obtain a suitable site, it has been decided not to hold a Dog and Cat Show this year.

SOCIETY FOR PROTECTION OF CHILDREN

MR. C. G. SOLLIS NEW CHAIRMAN

At the monthly meeting of the Committee of the Society for the Protection of Children held on Jan. 15, Mr. C. G. Sollis, Director of Education, assumed his appointment as Chairman for the current year. A hearty vote of thanks was expressed to the retiring Chairman, the Hon. Mr. W. N. Thomas-Tam.

Mrs. Graham-Cumming was welcomed to the Committee and the Society is grateful for her offer to take over the post of Secretary of the Western branch.

The Case report for the month of Dec., 1940, showed that 385 children were introduced to the various Centres during the month and that the total number of cases under supervision at Dec. 31 was 1,842, involving approximately 3,000 children. The Society's Inspectors had paid 937 visits to homes during the month.

SATISFACTORY SUPPORT

The finance statement indicated that the public of Hongkong were continuing to afford very satisfactory support to the Society, although expenditure in 1941 will not likely fall short of \$28,000.

The Chairman expressed particular thanks to Mr. Li Po Chun for his handsome donation of \$1,200 towards the running expenses of the Ling Yuet Sien Creche for 1941.

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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONG KONG PROBATE JURISDICTION.

IN THE GOODS of WILFRED VINCENT MILLER KOCH of Buckland Lodge Lansdown Bath in the County of Somerset, deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Court has by virtue of Section 58 of the Probates Ordinance 1897, made an Order limiting the time for creditors and others to send in their claims against the above estate to the 16th day of February, 1941.

ALL creditors and others are accordingly hereby required to send their claims to the undersigned on or before that date.

Dated the 21st day of January, 1941.

JOHNSON, STOKES & MASTER,
Solicitors for the Executor,
Hongkong & Shanghai
Bank Building,
Hong Kong.

G. R. DUTYABLE COMMODITIES ORDINANCE.

The attention of all persons or firms holding stocks of Hydrocarbon Oils of any type in the Colony is drawn to Government Notification No. 54 published under the Public Revenue Protection Ordinance on January 16th, 1941.

The effect of this order is that any stocks held in the Colony become liable to duty and holders of such stocks in amounts exceeding 1,000 gallons are requested to report the existence of these stocks to me within 7 days.

E. W. HAMILTON,
Superintendent of
Imports and Exports.
18th January, 1941.

G. R. PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 3rd day of February, 1941, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Island Road, in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

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No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in Square feet	Annual Rental	Upset Price
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SHAYUCHUNG REPORT

According to reports emanating from reliable sources, Japanese troops have occupied Shayuchung for the purpose of putting an end to the alleged large-scale influx of goods into Free China through that town. No confirmation of the report could be obtained from the Hongkong Military authorities. Japanese reinforcements have poured into Canton recently.

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INDO-CHINA AND THAILAND

WHILE RELATIONS between the United States and Japan continue to be strained and Anglo-Japanese amity is still disturbed by the discordant note of aggressive policy which Nippon's leaders have thought fit to pursue by aligning their country with the Axis Powers, the centre of political interest in the Orient has slowly shifted to the dispute between Thailand and Indo-China—a dispute which has gradually assumed the proportions of an undeclared war and in which large-scale military, naval and air operations are now taking place. As an authority on these two countries recently remarked, it is sad to think of the populations of these neighbouring territories being drawn into armed conflict, particularly as the rights and wrongs of the question in dispute are still somewhat vague. From what one has been able to assess, the Thailanders are basing their claims to certain territory in Indo-China on ancient prerogatives and are now seeking a restoration of these lands from the French who, they maintain, stole them.

THE ARGUMENT is as illogical as would be a claim by Signor Mussolini that just because Britain was at one time a part of the Roman Empire, it should now be restored to Italy. The territorial value of the claims which Thai is making—if it was purely based on such grounds—could easily have lent itself to settlement by peaceful negotiation. The fact that the Thailanders have resorted to force as a means of obtaining redress, without permitting negotiations to take their ordinary course, puts a particularly significant political background to the entire situation and it seems fairly apparent that influences outside Thai have been subtly at work for their own ends. In casting round for the party that would be most interested in creating a situation which would develop to its own advantage ultimately, it is not difficult to associate Japan with these intentions.

FROM THE MOMENT that Japan announced her so-called "New Order" policy, it was apparent that the first object of her attentions, as an offset to her failure to beat China into submission, would be the peaceful colony of French Indo-China. Two motives prompted this step—firstly, the collapse of France before the German invader, which at once threw the status of the French Colonial Empire into confusion, and secondly, with the object of arousing Thai to harry the French colony from outside, while Japan herself gave full play to her intrigue from within. The concessions which she obtained from the French in Indo-China enabled her to set about the second part of her plan. Previously, economic penetration into Thailand permitted her to secure strong commercial interests in the country and she soon made Thai trade dependent

FUNERAL OF MRS. S. FERREIRA

The funeral took place at the Roman Catholic Cemetery yesterday of Mrs. Sylvia Ferreira, who died at the Queen Mary Hospital, on Monday. The Rev. Fr. Angell's officiated in the Chapel and at the graveside.

The deceased is survived by her husband, Mr. A. F. Ferreira and seven children.

Chief mourners at the funeral, besides the husband, were Messrs. J. M. Pinna and C. I. Pinna (brothers), Mrs. H. White, and Miss R. Ferreira (sisters).

Among those present were Mrs. A. R. W. Brown, Mrs. C. A. Yolle, Mrs. S. Pereira, Mrs. S. Marriott, Mrs. F. L. Mattos, Mrs. B. Laurel, Miss M. Cruz and Miss M. Marques, Messrs. A. Brown, C. Mackintosh, A. V. Rozza, F. M. Cunha, H. M. Britto, G. Guterres, C. Roza Pereira, C. G. Silva, J. Marcel, H. Noronha, H. Baretto, J. Lima, J. A. R. Remedios, J. D. Remedios, E. Cunha, C. Pereira, F. X. Silva, R. Silva, L. Silva, F. Sequelra, A. C. Botelho, C. F. Souza, A. Cruz and many others.

THE WREATHS.

Floral tributes were sent by Dr. H. L. Ozorio, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Rocha, F. M. P. de Graca, E. H. Marriott, Mrs. Phillet, Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Gomes, Miss Marie Rosa-Pereira, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Silva and family, Lt. C. D'Almada, Carlinho, Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Silva, Yung Hing-chiu, Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. M. N. Rakusen, Sabina, Joe and Kids, C. A. Yolle, Heopita and Pat, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. White, Reinaldo, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Lee, Mr. and Mrs. V. F. D'Almeida and family.

Members and Local Staff, Chartered Bank; Chinese Staff, Hongkong Electric Show Room Department; Kwong Hing Company, Portuguese Staff, Mercantile Bank; Liga Portuguesa; and Local Staff of the Hongkong Electric Company, Ltd., and many others.

TOBRUK ASSAULT COMMENCES

The latest communique from Cairo states that the Imperial Forces have commenced their assault on Tobruk and that the attack is progressing.—(Special)

on her for development. The Thailanders apparently proved easy victims to this guile and with strong Japanese promptings, have become emboldened enough to adopt the same aggressive methods which the Japanese have made part of their foreign policy.

WHAT the Thailanders have failed to realise is the eventual position in which they will find themselves as a result of allowing Japan to influence their foreign affairs. Having taken advantage of the dispute now in progress to secure complete control over Indo-China, even at the risk of armed opposition, Japan will soon seek to reduce Thailand to the same status and thus consolidate her position more strongly for further expansion of her southward drive through Burma and the Malay Peninsula. The question might well be asked what attitude Great Britain and the United States will take in the light of these potential developments. British and American interests in Indo-China and Thai are at present confined to seeing that the status quo of these territories is maintained. Unless either of them firmly oppose these Japanese intentions, there is little doubt that Britain and the United States can do to help them to preserve their integrity and independence, unless, of course, Japan's intended victims make a direct appeal to them and range themselves alongside the democratic front which has set out to destroy totalitarian aggression. Not only Thai, but Indo-China, where sympathy with the Free French movement is growing, should wake up to the immediate danger that confronts them.

NEWSETTES

Despite wet weather conditions, the A.R.P. mobile exhibition was held as scheduled on both the Island and the mainland, from 8 to 9 p.m. last night.

"Funlety" will have a repeat performance on Feb. 1, at the China Fleet Club Theatre, in aid of the Bomber Fund. Bookings are now open at the Anderson Music Co., Ice House Street.

Mr. Chen Ding-sai, well-known Chinese lawyer in Shanghai, will be made Chinese Councillor of the Shanghai Municipal Council to succeed Mr. Eugene Ye-bing Kiang, who has resigned. Mr. Kiang is now in Chungking.

A lecture entitled "The Physics of the Weather" (How clouds, rain, and thunderstorms are formed) will be delivered by Mr. G. S. P. Heywood, M.A., B.Sc., Professional Assistant at the Royal Observatory, at the next general meeting of the Science Society to be held in Room "K" of the University main building on Friday, at 8.30 p.m. All interested are welcome.

A sum of \$1,726.80 was raised at the first of three charity dances held at the Paramount Ballroom on Sunday. The dances are sponsored by the Hongkong Branch of the Chinese Women's War Relief Association, for the purpose of raising funds to aid the victims of war and organised by the six leading cabarets in Hongkong. The second dance will be held at the Capitol on Feb. 9 and the third at the China Emporium Ballroom on Feb. 2.

An official communique of the Shanghai Municipal Council issued on Jan. 14, mentions the appointment of Mr. T. Beasley to the post of Publicity Officer of the Secretariat at room 148 in view of the forthcoming retirement from the Municipal service of Mr. E. T. Nash.

Subject to the final approval of the Executive Yuan, Kweiyang, capital of Kweichow province, will be converted into a municipality sometime in February and will be placed under the jurisdiction of the provincial government. The municipality will have a police bureau, a public health bureau and bureau of public works.

General Chu Ching-lan, well known Chinese philanthropist and social worker in Shanghai died at the orphanage for refugee children in Sian, capital of Shensi Province, recently. Since the outbreak of the hostilities, General Chu had been devoting himself to refugee relief activities.

The death occurred on January 12, at 45 Singkeipang Road, Shanghai, of Francis Antony Chaves, aged 21 years, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Chaves, brother of Mrs. I. Bangtun, Hilda, Olga, Linda, Dolores, Lolita, Robert, Richard and John. Funeral services were held on January 15, at the Hungai Road Cemetery.

The death occurred on January 14, at Shanghai, of Captain Cecil Smart, aged 44 years, dearly beloved husband of Gladys Smart and father of Irvine and Ian, manager, Shanghai and Hongkong Wharves Co. Pootung. The funeral (cremation) service was held in the Bubbling Well Cemetery Chapel on Jan. 16.

The death occurred at Kuling, on January 2, at midnight, of Jane Geraldine Augusta, wife of Mr. Edward John Blandford, English Missionary.

The funeral (cremation) service for the late Jean Darroch Shields, the eleven year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Shields, who passed away at the Country Hospital, Shanghai, was held in the Bubbling Well Cemetery Chapel on Jan. 11.

DECOUX'S HOPE OF SETTLEMENT

HANOI, Jan. 21 (Reuter).—The hope of a settlement of the undeclared war between Thailand and French Indo-China has been raised in a communique issued by Admiral Decoux, Governor-General of Indo-China.

The communique says information received from Thailand and messages emitted by the Bangkok Wireless give rise to the belief that the Thai Government could envisage the resumption of direct contact with Indo-China.

It will be recalled that the dispute concerns claims to frontier territory.

WILL WORK FOR LASTING PEACE IN FREEDOM

Wickham Steed Tells Of Things He Has Done

"My main interest has been in the creation of peace, and not merely in the prevention of war. . . . As Britain's warm interest in a lasting peace is a lasting peace in freedom, I still work for it," said MR. WICKHAM STEED, the well-known author and journalist, whose voice is now familiar to hundreds of radio listeners all over the world, when he broadcast in London yesterday on some of the things he had done and seen in his life.

Mr. Steed, as listeners in Hongkong are aware, broadcasts a weekly talk in the series "World Affairs" and reproductions of these talks in these columns have always been read with a great deal of interest.

Mr. Steed started his "talk about himself" yesterday by saying: "Some who listen to my talks on 'World Affairs' want to know what sort of a fellow owns the voice they hear" and then went on to give a description of himself and what he had done as he said, somebody else talking about him might have done.

SOMETHING FOREIGN

He started off by talking about his accent and related a joke against himself when he told a detective who asked him for his passport that he was the Foreign Editor of The Times. The officer of the law had at once replied: "Ah, I knew you was something foreign."

"I told him," said Mr. Steed, "that he might as well arrest Sir Edward Grey for being Foreign Secretary."

Mr. Steed then went on to refer to comments concerning his wearing a pointed beard, "which no self-respecting Englishman is supposed to wear nowadays." He also mentioned that his fluent knowledge of French was treated with some suspicion. "Bismarck used to say," went on Mr. Steed, "that no Englishman who spoke French well ought to be trusted!"

Mr. Steed, continuing the other description of himself, described how after leaving school he got a job in London with a business firm. If he had stuck to it he might have made a fortune. But he wanted to be a journalist. He branched off into philosophy, sociology and history. He went to Paris and to Berlin and found that German scholars diverged deeper into things than others.

MET CLEMENCEAU

In Germany he met several political leaders, which included Bismarck and in France, M. Clemenceau. He studied social problems and the labour movement and wrote for American papers on such problems as the silver issue. Then the London Times had asked him to act as their Berlin correspondent and later went to Rome. "Rome and Italy," he said, "left their mark upon me. Nowhere else in the world have I been conscious of living the distant past in the present."

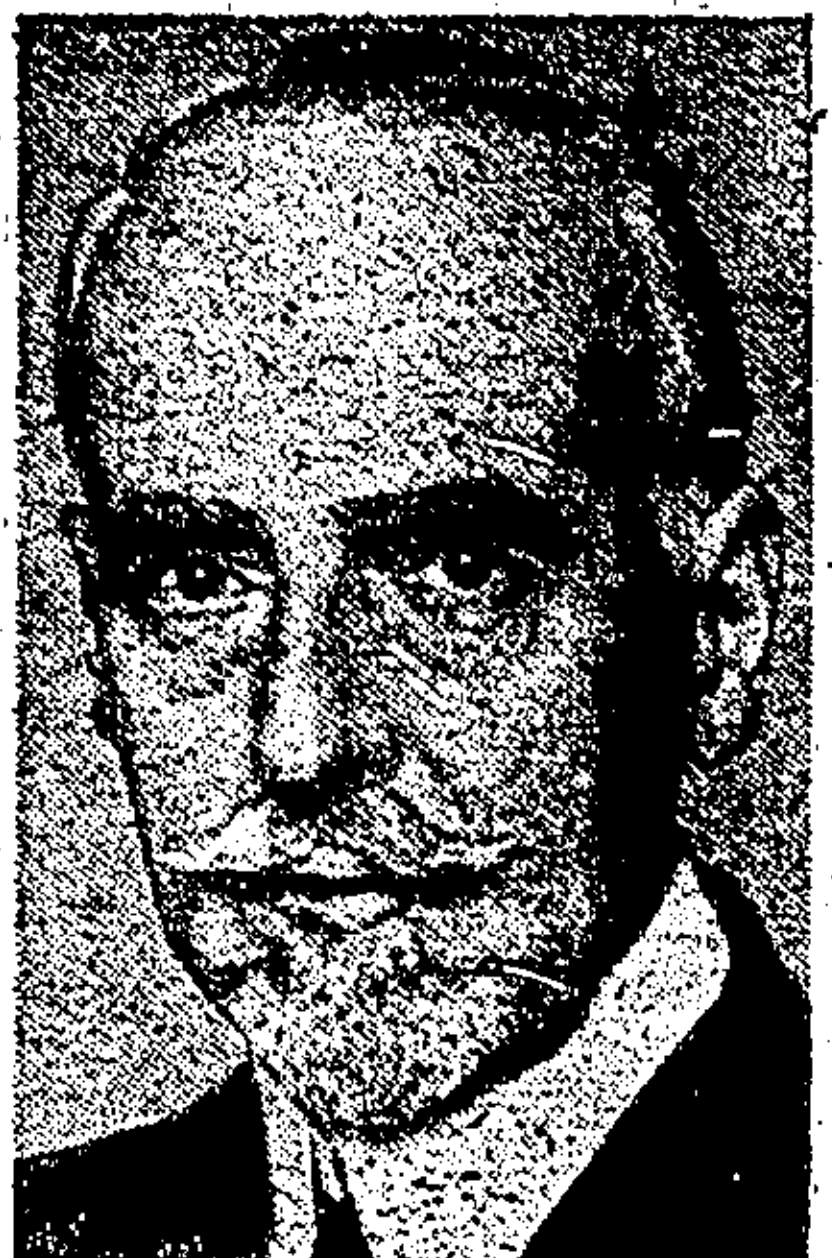
Mr. Steed spoke of his stay in Vienna and stated that even then the Germans were using Austria-Hungary as a bridge for their plans for world conquest. Referring to his association with King Edward VII, Mr. Steed said: "King Edward was the only crowned head who did not mind being contradicted." King Edward began to trust in Mr. Steed's judgment on foreign matters.

Mr. Steed described, though another's words, how he returned to Britain and studied problems in his own country and then became Foreign Editor of The Times. "That is what somebody else would have said if he knew my work abroad," said Mr. Steed. But what somebody else would not know is how he had filled his part as Foreign Editor of The Times.

"In 1914 I knew that Germany meant war and that the only way to prevent it was to leave the British Government in no doubt about it. There was appeasement even then and I was told that I had Germany on the brain. The only thing that mattered after that was to win the war, and I tried to do my best."

"A fortnight before the British Government declared war, the Austro-Hungarian Ambassador in London appealed to me to help to localise the Austro-Serbian conflict and I told him that I was too good a friend of the Serbs to allow them to be persecuted by Austria and Germany."

"Austria-Hungary went headlong into destruction and many of my friends went into exile and came to England and we worked together." Mr. Steed next referred



MR. WICKHAM STEED

to his part in the Paris Peace Conference of 1919. "I came to realise," he said, "that the freedom of the world depended on Anglo-American co-operation."

Mr. Steed spoke of his interest in Ireland and how he had asked for an Anglo-Irish settlement and how eventually, the Anglo-Irish treaty was concluded in December 1921.

BACKED TREATY

"The Times backed this treaty," he said, "and helped Mr. Winston Churchill to get into the House of Commons. I was in Washington when it was signed and saw the effect it had on Americans and on American-Irish feelings. President Roosevelt would not have been able to give us the aid he is giving us at present if the Irish in America had been against it."

Mr. Steed then referred to his resigning from the editorship of The Times and going back to the ranks. "My main interest was in the prevention of war. As Britain's warm interest in a lasting peace is a lasting peace in freedom, I will work for it."

Comment By Times On Centenary

LONDON, Jan. 21 (Reuter).—Proper regard for Chinese susceptibilities, which have been rendered particularly acute by the Japanese aggression, has prevented the British authorities in Hongkong from celebrating the centenary of its cession to Britain, writes THE TIMES, commenting on the fact the occupation of Hongkong is 100 years old this week.

The paper discusses the strategic and commercial importance of Hongkong, its pioneer work in education, its social experiments and continues: "One of the least advantages which China has gained in recent years is the security pax Britannica offers to victims of foreign aggression or civil strife who were forced to abandon their homes."

SOUGHT SAFETY

"At present, nearly 300,000 refugees from Japanese occupied China sought safety there and in the recent past great numbers of fugitives from political persecution or social anarchy sought its hospitable shores."

"A hundred years of British rule have converted 'the desolate rock and haunt of pirates' of 1842 into an imperial fortress, famous port and kindly city of refuge from violence and injustice."

EX-I.L.O. HEAD AS ENVOY

NEW YORK, Jan. 21 (Reuter).—THE NEW YORK TIMES published a cable from London saying it was learned that the former Head of the International Labour Office at Geneva had been selected as Ambassador to London and that it was expected Mr. John Winant would be accompanied by the businessman as Minister.

PRESSURE ON JAPAN FROM GERMANY IS INCREASING, SAYS VERNON BARTLETT

The view that the Japanese, under pressure from Germany, are encouraging Thai to carry on a war against Indo-China, was expressed by MR. VERNON BARTLETT, M.P., and well-known commentator on current affairs, when he broadcast from London yesterday.

"The Japanese papers are now demanding that their Government should free the 23 million natives of Indo-China, who they say, are being persecuted by 30,000 Frenchmen," said Mr. Bartlett. "The Nichi Nichi Shim-bun recently declared that the liberation of these Indo-Chinese people must be considered the policy of the Japanese in the Pacific."

SAME ARGUMENT

"That argument looks very much like what the Nazis used to say about the Sudeten Germans," continued the speaker, who went on to add that despite the pressure which the Axis is exerting in the Pacific now, there was just a hint that the Thailanders are not quite so sure of an Axis victory as

the European dictators would like them to believe.

Mr. Bartlett held the view that the Thailanders would probably negotiate with proper representatives of the French Government, which is the Government of Vichy, but that the question was whether the Japanese would allow the Vichy Government to interfere. "The reconciliation between Marshal Petain and M. Laval seems to show that German pressure has increased on Vichy, and that Japanese pressure is likely to increase on Thai," he said. "That seems to be the explanation of all these reports in Tokyo."

Referring to the strained relations between Japan and the United States and its bearing on the situation on the Indo-China and Thai position, Mr. Bartlett declared that the possibility of an open conflict with America, with whom Japan had so much trade, must be a nightmare to many Japanese.

HELP FOR CHINA

"On the other hand, Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek has been receiving more and more assistance from three countries which Japan dare not challenge—Britain, the United States and Soviet Russia. The puppet Government at Nanking has done nothing to break the Chinese will to resist and the number of deserters to their ranks has been remarkably few.

"This makes it necessary for Japan to make a fresh effort to help Germany to weaken Britain in the Mediterranean and within the next few weeks Japan is likely to find herself faced with the greatest crisis in her history, as a result of German pressure."

"An Axis victory does not seem as convincing as it used to be to the Japanese and Japan might be compelled to take the offensive in a war that will have to be fought on her side of the Pacific. An actual state of war between America and Japan will naturally immediately speed up production in the United States.

IMPORTANCE OF DISPUTE
Discussing the possibilities of such a conflict, Mr. Bartlett said that it would be a severe blow to Britain if Japan was able to occupy Singapore and the Dutch East Indies and thus cut Britain's life-line to the Pacific.

"The blow will be even more severe," said Mr. Bartlett, "if Herr Hitler succeeds in his present operations to cut the Mediterranean in two. So that all this seems to suggest that the dispute between Indo-China and Thailand is very important."

"But let us consider the other side," continued Mr. Bartlett. "Japan would be very unwise to start a war against one country—and still more two—with large numbers of troops."

Mr. Bartlett went on to say that Mr. Matsuoaka, the Japanese Foreign Minister, in a recent speech on the occasion of a farewell reception to the new Japanese Ambassador to the United States, had been decidedly vague about Japan's policy and this showed that there has been increasing pressure from Germany for Japan to take violent action in the Far East.

DIVE-BOMBERS

Mr. Bartlett also commented on the dive-bombing attacks which the Germans were making on warships and stated that this raised the old controversy again amongst those who believed in the bomber and those who believed in the warship. He was of the opinion that in an attack by dive bombers, aircraft dispersed on an airfield were at a greater advantage than aircraft placed close together on the deck of an aircraft carrier.

The arrival of German bombers in the Mediterranean made it incumbent for Britain to maintain control of the Eastern Mediterranean so as to be prepared for a possible attack by Herr Hitler through Balkans in the spring.

"Signor Mussolini's ineptitude has compelled Herr Hitler to fight on two fronts now," said Mr. Bartlett, and concluded his talk with a brief reference to the desperate position of the Italian garrison in Abyssinia.

"Italians at home will be asking themselves what they hope to gain from Signor Mussolini's adventure."



A seemingly endless chain of prisoners arrived at Sidi Barrani after the fortress had fallen to the Imperial Forces. As soon as the British store ships arrived, the Italians were put to work to unload them. They showed no disinclination to help, probably because the exercise helped to keep them warm.

Transfer Of The Italian War Machine

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from yesterday, is regarded as a move by Hitler to disguise his real plan, states a message from Sydney, which adds that there are now 15 divisions in Rumania.

Turkish comment believes that if Germany attacks through the Balkans, it will be via Yugoslavia, and not Bulgaria, as this will avoid trouble with Turkey and complications with Russia.—(Special)

HIGHLY IMPORTANT

NEW YORK, Jan. 21 (Reuter).—The German spokesman in Berlin, commenting on the Hitler-Mussolini meeting, declared it was not the policy of Totalitarian States to reveal any of their plans but the mere fact that the two dictators had met at this particular moment might be interpreted as highly important for future developments, says the Berlin correspondent of the NEW YORK TIMES.

Well-informed circles in Berlin, however, believe that since the Axis military-political war in Europe and Africa, has suffered some reverses since the Italian invasion of Greece, the meeting saw the drawing up of a profit and loss statement with a decision on what can be done to show more on the profit side of the ledger.

Meanwhile Goering's mouth piece, ESSENER NATIONAL ZEITUNG, declares that "in the half-year following the capitulation of France, all preparations for a knockout blow to England have been made."

The paper adds that this blow will be delivered in 1941.

ON S. E. EUROPE

LONDON, Jan. 21 (Reuter).—It seems fairly clear that attention is once more being focussed by the Axis on South-Eastern Europe, writes THE TIMES, commenting on the meeting of the dictators.

The paper adds that ever since the bungling offensive against Greece revealed the unreliability of Mussolini's war machine, Hitler could hardly risk serious action in the Balkans without doing something to secure his flank.

Turkish circles maintain quiet confidence and are disposed to discount reports of an early action. The immediate brunt of Axis intimidation will, however, fall on Bulgaria and Yugoslavia.

The increase of British resources and the growing range of effectiveness of British military power are the determining factors which have already powerfully affected the balance of forces in the Balkans and which, there as elsewhere, will ultimately prove decisive.

American interest in Balkan developments is equally unceasing and the visit of Col. William Donovan, President Roosevelt's personal representative, is regarded as having special significance at the moment.

LIKELY EARLY SEQUEL

LONDON, Jan. 21 (Reuter).—An early sequel to Hitler's meeting with Mussolini is likely to be the dispatch of more German air squadrons to the Mediterranean to increase pressure on the nerve centre—the Sicilian Channel—until it is planned the British Fleet retires hurt, says Reuter's air correspondent.

The total of German aircraft based in Sicily when operations began was not large, it is now known, and probably did not exceed 100.

Some more German long-range bombers may also be sent to Italy

Japanese Told To Get Their Geography Books Right

LATHAM'S FIRST SPEECH

SIR JOHN LATHAM, G. C. M. G., first Australian Minister to Japan, asked the Japanese to get their geography books right so that they might learn that Australia is not a part of Asia, when he made his initial public appearance at a reception of the Australia-Japan Society, states a message from Sydney.

Sir John, in the course of his speech said that Australia was completely with Britain in this war and had developed her men and resources to help her.

Australia was a member of the British Empire, and organised her policy in close co-operation with Britain.

EQUAL TO TASK

The MELBOURNE ARGUS, commenting on Sir John Latham's speech said that no Minister had been called upon to make his debut in such circumstances as the new envoy, but he had proved himself equal to the task.

He had outlined a policy in which there could be no compromise and to which no legitimate exception could be taken. Australia was entitled to live in the way it seems best to her.—(Special)

LONE RAIDER SIGHTED

There was no enemy activity over Britain on Monday night, states a London message.

Enemy aircraft flew over Britain yesterday morning and a lone raider was sighted later, but made off without dropping any bombs.—(Special)

FIRE BOMBS

LONDON, Jan. 21 (Reuter).—During an air raid today, a raider dropped a number of fire bombs in a town on the outskirts of London.

Women, interrupted in household work, got buckets of sand, spades and stirrup pumps and a few minutes later had put the bombs and were back in their kitchens.

Another raider made four machine-gun attacks on an East Anglian coast town and then dropped a stick of high explosives but only one person was injured.

RAIDER DAMAGED

One raider is reported to have been damaged.—(Special)

SOFIA, Jan. 21 (Reuter).—Colonel Donovan, President Roosevelt's personal representative, is seeing the Bulgarian Prime Minister, M. Filov, and Foreign Minister today.

KHARTOUM, Jan. 21 (Reuter).

Ras Kassa, most important of Emperor Haile Selassie's generals during the Italo-Abyssinian war, arrived here today with his family. The Emperor today entertained the Governor of the Sudan and military and civic heads at his palace here.

Nine British Ships Lost

For the fifth week in succession, British shipping losses were below previous average, states a message from London.

For the week ending Jan. 12-13, nine British ships were lost, representing 30,226 tons. No neutral or Allied ships were sunk.

While the losses continued well below the high average, official circles in London state that it does not mean that Britain has overcome all difficulties in this connexion, but the reduction is regarded as decidedly encouraging.—(Special)

Italians Suffered Over 50,000 Casualties In Albanian Campaign

Official sources estimate that the Italians have suffered over 50,000 casualties in the Albanian campaign and the Italian figure of 2,000 killed and 6,500 wounded is regarded as an understatement, states a London message. The Greeks have taken 16,000 prisoners and the number of sick Italians is estimated at 20,000.

The Greeks are reported to have advanced to a village two miles north of Kefyry, which has up to the present time been regarded as a quiet station.

Italian bombers tried to raid the port of Athens on Monday and during the second raid, they were engaged by R.A.F. fighters.

One Italian bomber was shot down into the sea and another damaged, but a Greek source says that two Italian machines were destroyed. There was no damage done to shipping in the port, though there were a number of civilian casualties and damage to house properties.

The Greek Consul-General in Calcutta has opened a Hellenic War Fund. First contributions amounted to £10,000 towards which the Nizam of Hyderabad contributed £1,000.—(Special)

KASSALA FALL ADMITTED

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ODD BUT
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NEW YORK.—The way to tell whether you are eating blueberries or huckleberries is to listen.

If they're huckleberries, the seeds will crackle under your teeth. No crackle means blueberry.

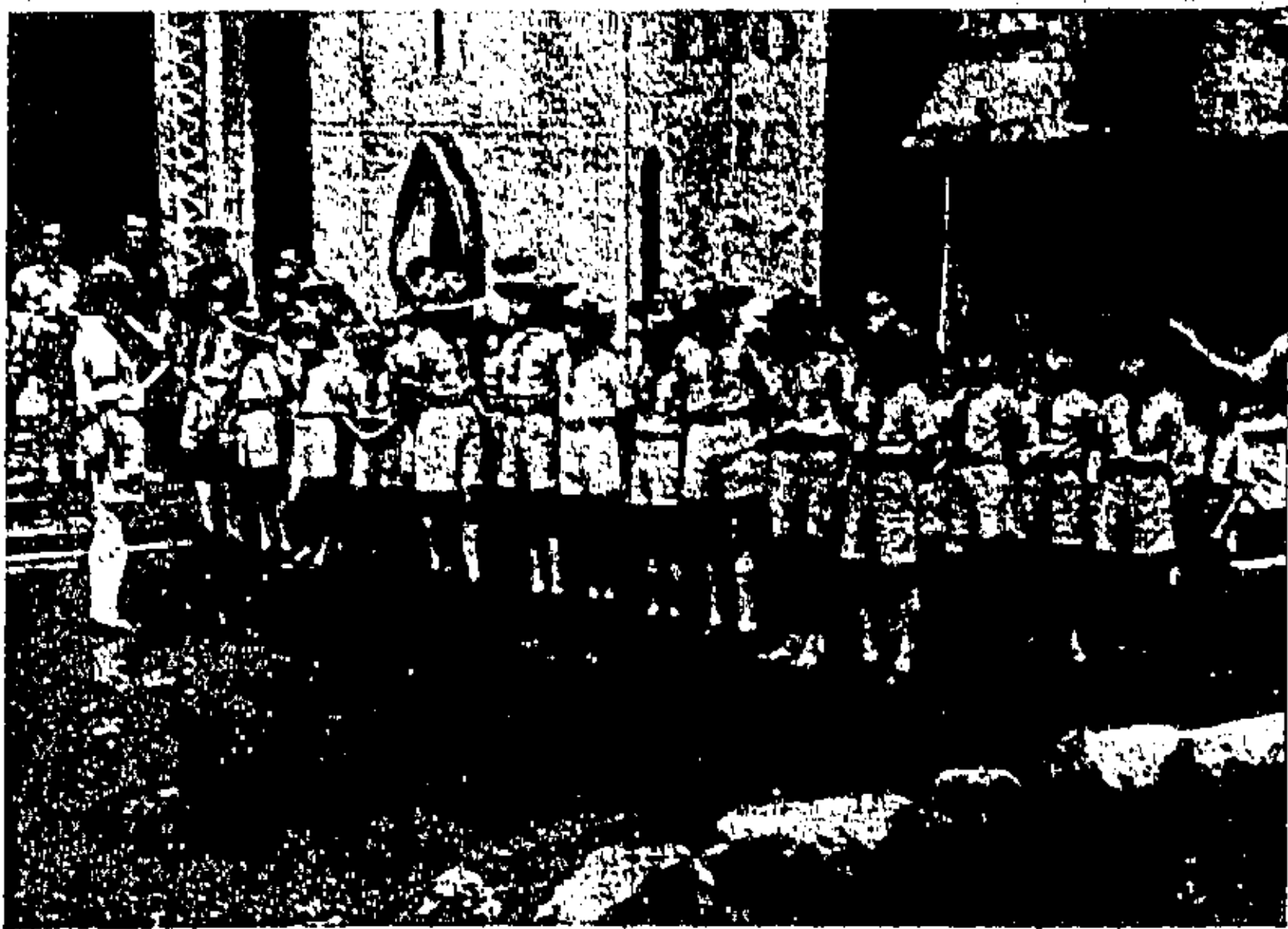
The New York state agricultural experiment station explains that the huckleberry has 10 large seeds, each surrounded by a bony covering like a minute peach pit. This produces the crackle.

MANY SEEDS

Blueberries have many seeds but they are not always noticeable when the berry is eaten.

There is another indicator. Huckleberry leaves are sprinkled with resinous dots on the underside. You won't find them on blueberries.

Prof. G. L. Slate, small fruit specialist at the station, reports blueberries are by far the best eating. But the whole thing is confusing since blueberries often are called huckleberries and the awns in which they grow are referred to as huckleberry swamps.



Some of the Boy Scouts Wolf Cubs who attended the memorial services on Sunday.—(King's Studio).

ROUND THE POLICE COURTS

AT CENTRAL

GAOL FOR COOLIE

A coolie connected with the American Express Company was found inside the office of the Company, Des Voeux Road Central, at 5 a.m. on Jan. 20. When arrested, he was found to have in possession a bunch of keys, one of which opens the door of the lavatory.

The man is Tam Lau, aged 33. Brought before Mr. Lowry yesterday, facing a charge of having been found on the ground floor of the office of the American Express Company at 5 a.m. on Jan. 20, he pleaded that he had no intention of stealing from the office, but that he was only trying to steal from the No. 2 headman of the Company, whom he claimed to have owed him some wages.

His story was disbelieved, and he was sentenced to six weeks' hard labour.

POSSESSION OF TREEWOOD
Charged before Major A. N. Macfadyen yesterday with unlawful possession of treewood, Wan Chuen, 29, unemployed, was fined \$30, or two months' hard labour, and Fong Wing, 64, unemployed, who has been in Hongkong for two years, \$60, or three months' hard labour.

First defendant was stated to have in possession one pine tree, four and a half inches in diameter and 25 feet long, when arrested on Hillside Bowen Road, near Wishing Rock. Value of the tree is \$15.

SUMMONS DISMISSED
Mr. A. H. Compton appeared as complainant before Mr. Sheldon yesterday when Tsoi Kan, of No. 488, Portland Street, third floor, was summoned for driving car No. 1079 without due care and caution in Stubbs Road, near Temple Tower, on Nov. 16.

Defendant was represented by Mr. R. M. M. King, while Sub-Insp. F. J. Clarke prosecuted.

Mr. Compton stated that when his car was rounding a hairpin corner on the road, he saw a bus coming from the opposite direction, with defendant's car overtaking it.

Defendant said that another car overtook the bus and he followed suit.

The summons was dismissed.

COMMITTED FOR TRIAL

Charged with possession of 70,300 heroin pills at No. 50, Elgin Street, ground floor, on Jan. 3, two women, Yu Yuet-sau and Chang Choi-na, appeared before Mr. Lowry yesterday when they were committed to the Criminal Sessions.

Revenue Officer W. V. Ahern prosecuted. The raid was carried out on Jan. 3.

Both defendants made statements in the witness box to the effect that they knew nothing of the matter and that they were merely in the employ of someone residing in the rear cubicle of the house.

CANE ORDERED

Three schoolboys, Chung She-hung, Chung Sze-tak and Hon Man-san, appeared before Mr. Lowry yesterday as complainants when Tang Kam-cheung, unemployed, was charged, together with another not in custody, with stealing three woollen pullovers at Upper Albert Road on Jan. 20.

Det. Sgt. J. R. Sykes prosecuted. Defendant was ordered to be given 12 strokes of the cane.

WOOLEN SOCKS STOLEN

Ling Kim, 40, coolie, and Chan Tung, 20, described as a broker, appeared before Mr. Lowry yesterday on a charge of stealing nine pairs of woollen socks from the Wing On Company, Ltd., on Jan. 19.

AT KOWLOON

STENOGRAPHER CHARGED

Mrs. Lillian Mueller, 30, stenographer, of No. 16, Fort Street, second floor, Bay View, was charged before Mr. Sheldon, yesterday with breach of the Defence Regulations. Defendant was alleged to have been found on Jan. 20 in the Bay View district, which is outside the bounds of the area to which her movements are confined.

Defendant pleaded not guilty, and the case was adjourned to Saturday at 11 a.m.

STOLE TYPEWRITER

Charged with stealing a typewriter, from No. 10, Pottinger Street, the property of P. Y. Young, manager of Wang Bros., Lin Fook-choi, 28, unemployed, appeared before Mr. Lowry yesterday. A remand of 24 hours was ordered.

"FORGED PAWN TICKET"

Convicted of possession of a forged pawn ticket, Leung Wai-shum, 30, residing at No. 98, Lab-chikok Road, second floor, was fined \$250, or six months' hard labour, by Mr. Barnett yesterday. Defendant's wife, Wong Fung-ying, 25, who was also charged, was given the benefit of the doubt and discharged.

They were originally charged with possession of 22 forged pawn tickets purporting to be issued by the Fuk Hing Pawnshop, five forged dies from which the tickets might have been printed and with conspiracy to defraud. The charge was amended to possession of a forged pawn ticket.

Det. Sgt. J. Johnston prosecuted

AT KOWLOON

SOLDIERS IMPRISONED

Three privates of the Middlesex Regiment, John Lever, 24, Victor Branson, 24, and George Orme, 28, were each sentenced to a month in prison by Mr. E. Himsforth yesterday for obtaining drinks and cigarettes to the value of \$4.10 by fraud from the Kowloon Hotel.

Sub-Inspector A. S. Johnson, prosecuting, said that about 5 p.m. on Monday, defendants went to the Kowloon Hotel where they ordered three bottles of beer and three packages of cigarettes. When the bar boy handed them the bill they refused to pay and it was alleged that one of them adopted a threatening attitude.

The manager of the hotel, Mr. Silva, himself went to ask for the payment. Defendants tried to slap but were refused.

Sub-Inspector Johnson asked the witness to take a serious view of the case since this was the second similar offence within three evenings.

TRANSFER OF WARD

Three women and a 65-year-old man were charged before Mr. K. M. A. Barnett with unlawful transfer of possession or custody of a 12-year-old girl, Ursang Siu, for a valuable consideration. Accused were Leung Mui, 40, widow, Yip Lin, 28, married woman, Shum Yip, 55, and Ko Chi, 40, married woman.

Outlining the case, Inspector G. W. Moreton, of the S.C.A., said that about 11.30 a.m. on Sunday Sgt. A. L. Gordon was on duty at Prince Edward Road and saw second defendant walking with a girl. Noticing that the girl was reluctant to go with defendant, Sgt. Gordon trailed them to the Yau-mat Railway Station where he questioned them. Not satisfied with their vastly different stories, he took them back to the Mong-kok Station.

HONGKONG ROTARY CLUB
TIFFIN MEETINGROTARIAN PROF. R.C. ROBERTSON ON
"THE SCOTLAND OF ROBERT BURNS"

The weekly tiffin meeting of the Hongkong Rotary Club was held at the Hongkong Hotel Roof Garden yesterday, Rotarian Dr. Arthur W. Woo presiding. The speaker was Rotarian Professor R. Cecil Robertson, who spoke on "The Scotland of Robert Burns." The talk was illustrated with lantern slides.

Rotarian Dr. Arthur Woo spoke a few words to thank the many friends of the Rotary Club who had assisted in making so successful the Dinner Dance last Saturday in aid of the Ambulances and Mobile Canteens Fund for Britain and China.

Rotarian the Very Rev. Dean J. L. Wilson spoke also on the Rotarians' Chinese New Year Toy Fund in aid of the Kowloon School for the Deaf and contributions to the fund were made at the meeting.

THE ADDRESS

Rotarian Professor R. Cecil Robertson said, in part:—"Robert Burns was a genius of the first rank who has handed down to posterity the expression of ideas in the form of the highest art which are of world wide importance. Ideas which are the basis of Rotary and I submit are of vital importance to a world wide importance. Ideas which are the basis of Rotary and I submit are of vital importance to a world wide importance."

POLICE REPORTS

Major Helby, of China Command H.Q., reports that a ladies' coat and a travelling rug were stolen from his car No. 4534 parked outside the Star Ferry Wharf on Jan. 19.

Timber to the value of \$100 was reported stolen from No. 3 A.R.P. tunnel site between Jan. 19 and Jan. 20.

Sgt. Cook, of Royal Signals, has reported the theft of \$70 worth of cable, the property of the Military Authorities.

Chan Sau-chau reports that money and jewellery to the total value of \$41.50 were stolen from his house, at No. 233, Prince Edward Road.

Miss Churn, of No. 53, Conduit Road (W.H.), has reported the loss of her mongrel dog in the vicinity of Glenealy at 6.30 p.m. on Jan. 20. The description of the dog was given as black and white, aged nine years old, wearing collar and a licensed badge, and answering to the name of "Woo-pee."

Mr. D. B. Evans, solicitor of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Masters, reports that a rattan basket, containing one pair of grey flannel trousers, one pair of shoes and socks, one Dunhill pipe and one tobacco pouch, to the total value of \$65, was stolen from his car No. 8350 parked in Statue Square between 7 p.m. and 8.15 p.m. on Jan. 20.

The other defendants were arrested on different occasions in a hut at Boundary Street.

Inquiries showed that first defendant was a travelling trader who bought the girl and took her to the Colony for the purpose of reselling her. Second defendant was the purchaser, while the others were go-betweens.

First and fourth defendants were each sentenced to six months' imprisonment, while the two others were fined \$50 or two months' each. \$40 found in the old man's possession was ordered to be placed in the Poor Box.

It was alleged that first defendant had faced a similar charge previously and got off. It was also alleged that she was a trafficker.

CLERK FINED

Appearing before Mr. Himsforth yesterday, Wai Wan-chung, 42, clerk of No. 48, Connaught Road, was charged with possession of 1,087 tins of petroleum on board boat No. 1908V for the purpose of removal to China Island without a permit from the Authorities.

Pleading guilty to the charge defendant was fined \$20.

MURDER CHARGE

Lo Hing, 28, appearing before Mr. Himsforth yesterday on a charge of murder, was remanded 24 hours.

It was alleged that defendant murdered Ho Sang-tan, a woman, at No. 64, Wuhu Street on Oct. 25. Det. Sgt. J. Johnston was in charge of the case.



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SLIDES SHOWN

The slide shown by Professor Robertson dealt chiefly with the scenery of Ayrshire and Dumfriesshire as photographed by himself at various times some 30 years ago. "By carefully selecting pictures taken somewhat off the beaten track and excluding modern features, we may gain something of the atmosphere of the countryside of Burns day," the speaker said. "I think you will agree there is much charm in the woodland scenery and the views of the many beautiful rivers which Burns made famous in his simple tender verses. The scenes shown are all taken in or near places which the poet frequented over a century and half ago and are as nearly as possible the type of scene-

ery which inspired the poet in his matchless expression of natural beauty. Among the slides were scenes of the famous countryside about the loch, the Doon and the Nith and of Kilmarnock, the speaker's native town, the home of the first edition of Burns' work and of Johnnie Walker's whisky, numerous other scenes of Burns' day and illustrations from old volumes in Robert Burns."

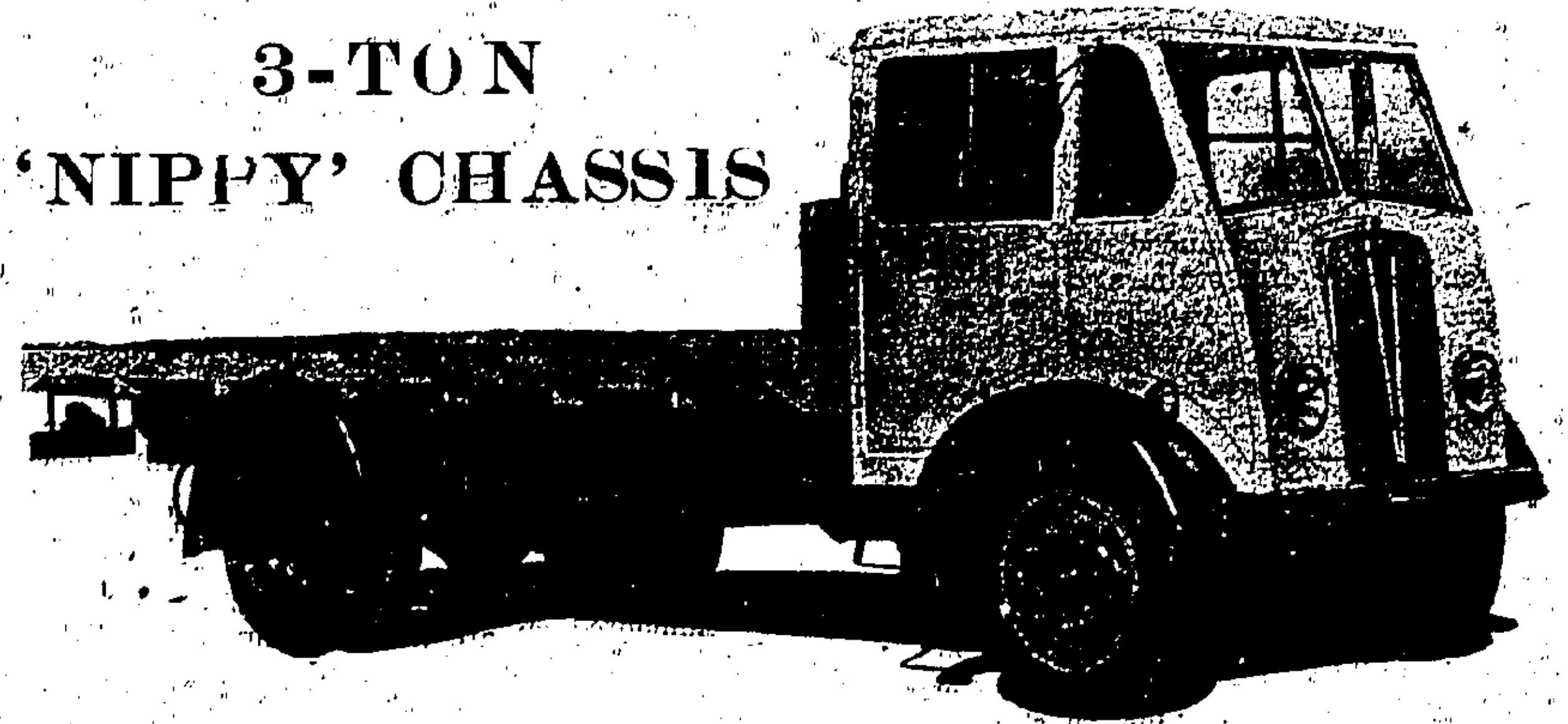
GUESTS PRESENT

Rotarian Dr. G. D. R. Black thanked the speaker. Rotarian George Fitch (Chungking) was the only visiting Rotarian, and there were the following guests present: Messrs. H. C. Wallington, D. W. Phillips, C. H. Awret, T. Malcolm, Major Gray, R.A.M.C., Messrs. H. McKenzle, S. K. Law, Dr. Lai Kwong-yuk, Dr. C. F. X. da Rosa, Mr. Watson, Rev. H. D. Rosenthal and Mr. Pak Ping-ho.

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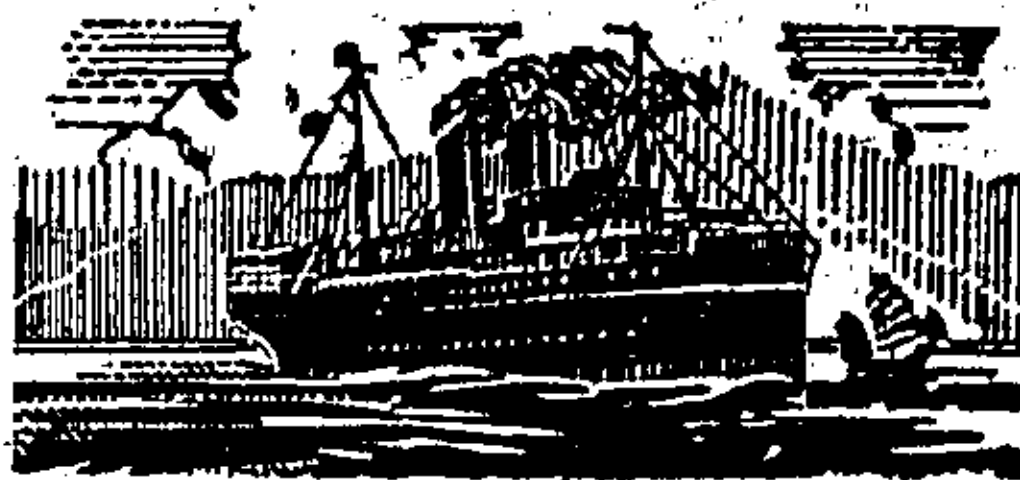
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SAN FRANCISCO FLAG INCIDENT

U.S. NAVY SEAMEN CONVICTED

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 21 (Reuter).—Two United States Navy seamen were convicted yesterday for "malicious mischief" by cutting down the Nazi flag from the German Consulate.

"This is an offence against another nation," said the Municipal Judge after remanding them in the custody of the naval authorities. He will pronounce sentence on Thursday.

The German radio yesterday referred to the "impudent and provocative insults to the German flag" in announcing that the German Charge d'Affaires in Washington had lodged a strong protest with the United States Department about the incident.

EMPRESS OF ASIA REQUISITIONED

The liner Empress of Asia of the Canadian Pacific Steamships, Ltd., is reported to have been temporarily requisitioned by the British Government and to have suspended its Far Eastern sailings, according to a dispatch from Shanghai.

The liner was originally scheduled to have arrived in Shanghai on Jan. 3 but so far she has failed to call at the port.

The Empress of Asia is the last liner of the Canadian Pacific Steamships to have been pressed into wartime service, the three other ships of the company, the Empress of Japan, Empress of Canada and Empress of Russia having been previously requisitioned.—(Central News).

DRIFTING MINE

A drifting mine south-east of Cheung Chau was reported by the coxswain of the vessel "Po On" as having been sighted about 9 a.m. on Monday.

Italian Submarine Reported Sunk

LONDON, Jan. 21 (Reuter).—An Italian submarine has been sunk by anti-submarine defences. This was announced by the Minister of Marine and quoted by the Athens radio.

WEATHER REPORT

Hongkong Royal Observatory
10 a.m., Jan. 21.
Barometer (at sea level), 30.00 ins.
Temperature, 61 F.
Humidity, 93 per cent.
Wind Direction, E/N
Wind Force (Beaufort), 6.
Temperature: Maximum yesterday, 64 F.
Temperature: minimum last night, 59 F.

Rainfall for 24 hrs. ending 10.10 to-day, 0.02 ins.
Total rainfall since January 1st, 1.13 ins.
Against an average of, 0.53 ins.
Sunset tonight, 8.04 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow, 7.05 a.m.

4 p.m., Jan. 21.
Barometer (at sea level), 29.82 ins.
Temperature, 61 F.
Humidity, 93 per cent.
Wind Direction, E
Wind Force (Beaufort), 6.
Maximum temperature, 62 F.
Minimum temperature, 59 F.
Rainfall, 0.06 ins.

CHINA MAY HAVE "MALAYA HOUSE"

Following the cessation of hostilities in China, a much needed fillip for closer contact between the Malayan Chinese and their compatriots in the mother country may be provided by the creation of a "Malaya House" in the post-war capital which will be fully supported by Malayan Chinese.

First suggested by a prominent domiciled Chinese, it was to have been discussed at the cocktail party given by the Perak Overseas Chinese in honour of Gen. Wu Te-chen, Minister for Overseas Affairs, who has been on a goodwill tour of Malaya recently. However, there was no discussion on this subject.

It is reliably learned, however, that an application will be made to Gen. Wu for his consideration, and, if found practicable, he will, in turn, forward the proposal to the Central Government.

PRINCIPAL OBJECT

The principal object in the establishment of this House, said an official of the Overseas Chinese Association, Perak section, was to strengthen the friendly relations between the Chinese overseas and their brethren in China.

The proposed Malaya House will also be open to all Malayan Chinese, domiciled or otherwise.

Facilities that the House will afford will be many and to the overseas Chinese in particular who are left without any relations or friends in China, Malaya House will be a real home.

NEGOTIATIONS PROCEEDING

In connexion with the complete stoppage of shipping traffic between Hongkong and French Indo-China, negotiations are still proceeding between the Governments for a return to conditions prior to the signing of an agreement between Japan and the latter.

It is recalled that the British ship Lyceum recently left for the French port with a general cargo on board, whereas she was expected to return with a cargo of rice.

THE WEATHER

Maximum temperature yesterday was 62 and the minimum 59. Total rainfall since Jan. 1 is 1.13 inches against an average of 0.53.

The Royal Observatory report states:-

The anti-cyclone continues to decrease in intensity and move eastward; pressure is now highest over South Japan, and remains relatively low over Indo-China. The depression has moved to the north-east of Hokkaido.

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE

From 92 to 28 Jan. 1941.

Day of Week	Date of Month	HIGH WATER		LOW WATER	
		Hong Kong Standard Time	Height	Hong Kong Standard Time	Height
Wed.	22	h.m. 04 58	4.4	h.m. 09 56	3.1
		17 10	6.3		
Thur.	23	06 40	5.2	03 37	2.3
		18 12	6.6	11 08	3.4
Fri.	24	08 04	4.3	01 37	1.8
		19 17	7.1	12 07	3.5
Sat.	25	09 08	4.4	02 24	1.2
		19 58	7.4	13 10	3.4
Sun.	26	09 49	4.5	03 04	0.9
		20 45	7.6	13 47	3.4
Mon.	27	10 37	4.6	03 39	0.7
		21 27	7.6	14 36	3.2
Tues.	28	11 03	4.7	04 13	0.6
		22 08	7.4	15 17	3.0

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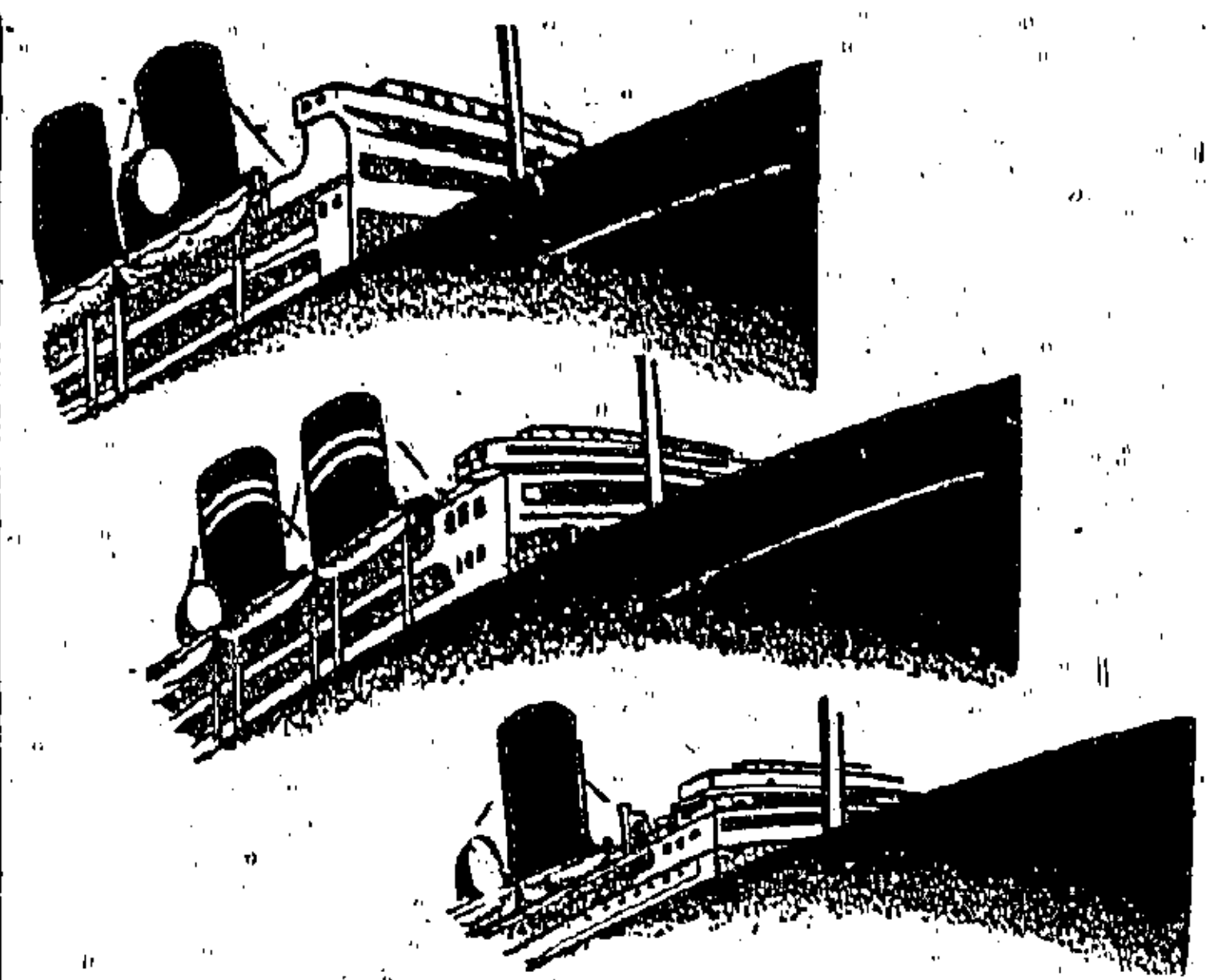
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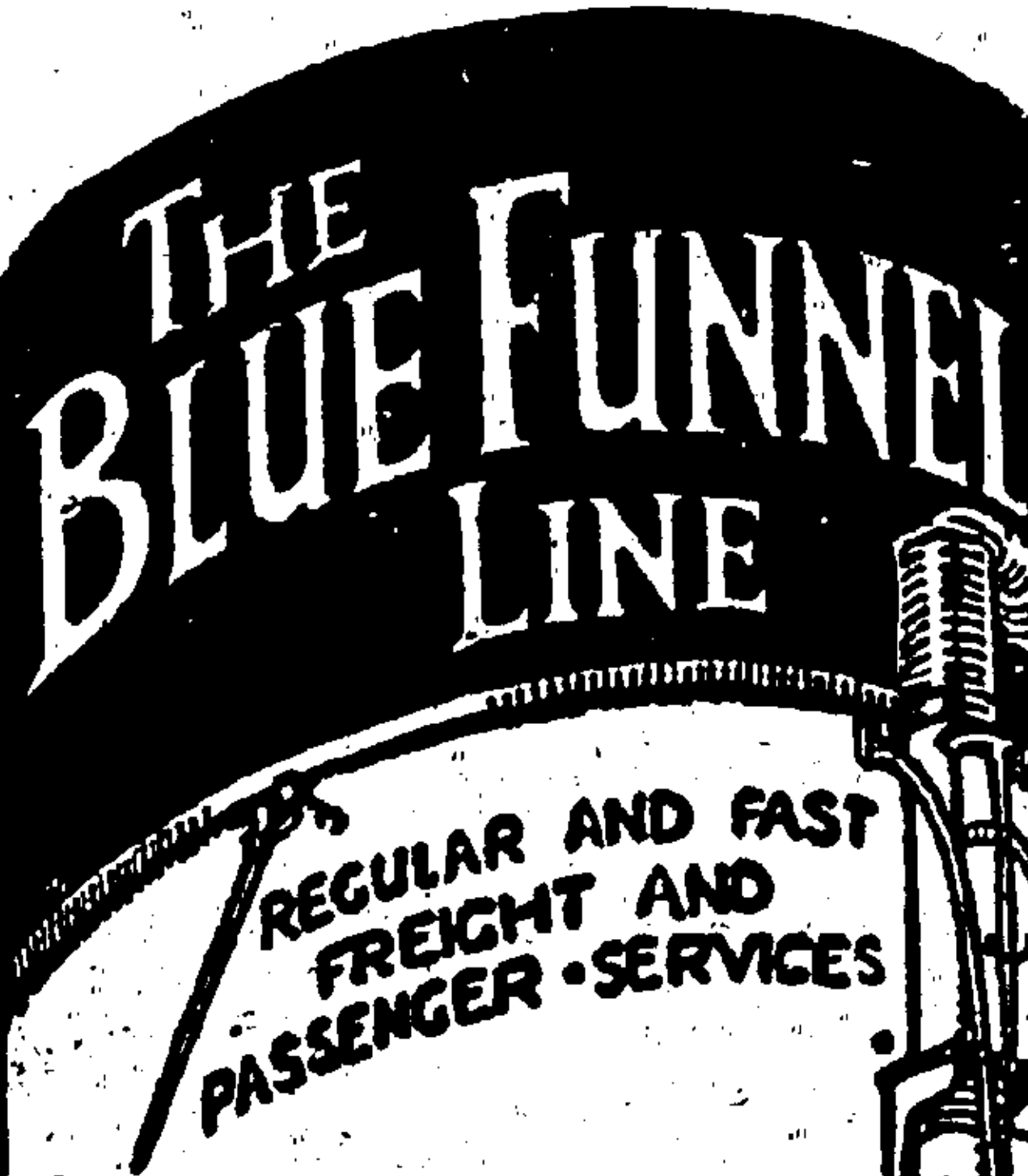
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American Pays Tribute To
People Of Britain

The American people are well informed about conditions in Britain. Newspaper correspondents are describing them fully. One correspondent, Mr. A. Menchen, returning to America, gave a brief talk in which he said:

FURTHER
ATTACKS
ON CATANIA

R.A.F. Headquarters state that further attacks on enemy aerodromes at Catania, in Sicily, were carried out yesterday. Seven planes on the ground were seen to burst into flames and fires started in buildings were seen 30 miles away.

British bombers also attacked Brindisi where considerable damage is believed to have been done. A heavy raid is also reported to have been carried out last Sunday night on objectives in Albania where big explosions and fires were caused in the target area.

From all these operations British machines returned safely—(Special).

SOCCER REVIEW

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generally believed that they would vie with St. Joseph's and Club for the "wooden spoonists" berth in the League.

Since the electricians fielded an all-Chinese line-up the team have shown considerable improvement and it appears that they have at last found the right combination. The forwards have struck a fine understanding. Cheuk Shek-kam and Wong King-chung being two fast and tricky wingers, but the inside men must show more enterprise in taking shots at goal if they are to continue to obtain favourable results.

On Sunday, at Boundary Street, they again gave a good display, considering the state of the ground, and it can safely be assumed that not even their ardent supporters would have predicted a 4-1 victory over Navy, conquerors of Sing Tao two weeks ago.

TOOK NO CHANCES

Sing Tao took no chances against Royal Scots at Sookunpoo on Sunday and trounced the military eleven by five goals to one, after having exerted their superiority early in the game and which they maintained to the end.

Though ground conditions were anything but conducive to good ball control, the Chinese forwards delighted the spectators with a display of fine combination and their precise movements had the Scots' defence on the run all the time. Had they taken more shots at goal the winning margin might have been bigger than it was. This, and the great efforts of

"First, British figures of results of air combats are completely trustworthy. This is the opinion of the most competent observers in the country.

"Secondly, there is no possibility of success for any invasion attempted on England, and very little for any attempt on Ireland. The spirit of the British people has never been finer and stronger, or more united in the will to victory. This is the only war in history where two countries have been at war without their troops being in contact.

"My last assignment kept me for two months on the cliffs of Dover. Those people in Dover who felt they should evacuate had done so early in the war but the best part of the population remained, carrying on business in such a way that the town maintained a completely normal appearance.

"When I arrived in London, people said Dover must be a shambles. But Dover is not. Buildings are down, as well they must be, but buildings still stand.

"While I was there London was bombed, and then I had to go to London. There it was the same fine tragic story. Everywhere I went streets were roped off, time bombs lurked in the ruined houses and there were other evidences of destruction.

"But London is not flat. People still go to work, struggling through unbelievable difficulties to reach their jobs from distant suburbs. The class lines of aristocratic England are disappearing. An Englishman's home is no longer his castle. Today an air raid shelter is his home, and underground, all men are equal.

"Listen to the simple voices of Bevin and Priestley rather than to the cold accents of more formal speakers, because these men are now symbolical of what is really England—British people who are fighting for their lives."

Bankier, in goal, and Naysmith and Fraser helped to keep the score down.

KEEN TUSSELE

Club and Police were engaged in a keen tussle at Boundary Street, which resulted in a win for the custodians of the law by the odd goal in three, after crossing over on level terms at the interval.

There was very little to choose between the teams Police obtaining full points through a penalty late in the second half but, on the run of play, Club deserved a point.

CHAMPAGNE LOOT
FOR GERMANY

The Germans are plundering France of foodstuffs to such an extent that the country may soon face famine. Before the harvest was gathered in many fields of wheat were reserved for the Germans with swastika signs, and at least 800,000 tons of wheat were sent to Germany from occupied France.

Bread is now rationed in France at 87 ounces a week.

The meat situation is also low. The ration in France is 12½ ounces a week. In Germany it is 17½ ounces. In addition, a large amount of livestock has been transported into Germany.

Pigs have been requisitioned in large quantities—a million are believed to have been removed in a fortnight in September alone—and thousands of cattle also.

The average consumption of butter and oil before the war was 17 kilos per head. Now it is about 5 to 6 kilos.

CROP LOST

France was originally self-sufficient in sugar, having a large sugar-beet crop. This year about 80 per cent. of the crop was lost due to the fighting in the north.

Wines have been requisitioned in a very large way by the Germans.

The whole grape harvest at Bordeaux has been taken over. The Germans are not paying for it, but are calling it a legitimate prize of war. One firm alone delivered 12,000,000 bottles of champagne to Germany.

German soldiers have been buying up produce with paper marks and sending the food home.

BRITAIN'S
WAR AND
PEACE AIMS

Mr. Winston Churchill, Prime Minister, in the House of Commons yesterday afternoon was asked whether he could make a statement on Britain's war and peace aims.

Mr. Churchill replied: Most right-minded people here and abroad—especially in the United States—already fully understand the principles on which we are waging war. The Government would welcome any statement that would be helpful to victory but I am not able at present to add anything more helpful.

The British Government, Mr. Churchill informed the House, had made no arrangements in collaboration with the Italian Government to evacuate the Italian women and children from Abyssinia and Eritrea.

Mr. Churchill said, "In any case it will not be possible while the present operations are in progress."—(Special).

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11—5.30 p.m.—Bendigo Handicap—Winner \$1,000. Second \$350. Third \$250. For Australian Subscription Ponies classified "B" Class. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$10. From the Two Mile Post Once Round and In (About One Mile 171 Yards).

Ajax 140 lbs, Albury 140, A Roaring Time 139, Brutus 138, Busy-light 149, Connieber 156, Contact 158, Criffel 159, Devonian 152, Fair Chance 145, Flying Dutchman 135, Franklin 145, Income Tax 142, Many Thanks 159, Melody Star 152, Murrumbidgee 145, Piccadilly Jim 159, Princess Clara 149, Pumpernickel 149, Rivulet 149, Rowan 159, Sparrow 149, Springhurst 143, Sydney Lad 152, Tornado Star 154, Triumphant Day 142, Vixen Tor 143.

12—6 p.m.—Australian Valley Stakes—Winner \$1,500. Second \$500. Third \$300. For Australian Subscription Ponies of 1941. Weight for inches as per scale. Entrance \$10. One Mile.

A Fine Time 152 lbs, Amulet Star 152, Angel of Glory 152, Anzac Day 149, Araxy II 152, Archber 152, A Rosy Time 149, A Surprising Time 152, Baggage Master 152, Battle 152, Beauform 152, Bendemeer 152, Bendigo 152, Black Seal 152, Blue Gown 149, Buckfastleigh 152, Bugle 149, Casino 149, Castle Hill 152, Corriedoo 152, Corsair 149, Corvette 152, Daylight 152, Dignitas 149, Double Dutch 152, Dutch Treat 152, Endeavour 152, Gold Rod 149, Hallman Love 152, High Hat 149, Hole in One 149, Joan 152, Jungle Love 149, Jus Gentium 149, King's Flight 152, Leading Star 152, Lex Fori 152, Look See 152, Macy 149, Mainsail 152, Manhattan 149, Moonlight 149, National Endurance 152, National Welfare 152, Never-Never 152, Newborn Star 152, Newmarket Day 149, Ogle 152, Ophir 152, Optima Fide 152, Red Rabbit 152, Riverbridge 152, Royal Sovereign 152, Santa Anita 152, Saratoga 152, Seal River 149, Seventy Six 152, Snow White 149, Starlight View 149, Strathalbyn 149, Sunspot 152, Swallow 152, Sydney Diamond 152, Sydney Lady 152, The Hawk 152, The Koala Bear 152, Tobacco-ship 149, Trade Wind 149, Twinkling Star 152, United Express 152, Vicar 152, Vitamin M. 152, Wayworth 149, Wonderful Show 149, Zadderday 152.

TOKYO, Jan. 21 (Reuter)—The Emperor of Japan has cabled a message of felicitation to President Roosevelt on the occasion of his inauguration as President of the United States for a third term.

DETROIT, Jan. 21 (Reuter)—General Motors announce that they have completed plans for a monthly output of 1,500 aviation engines with parts for 200 large bombers in co-operative agreement with the North American Aviation Company. A factory is being built at Kansas City where the final assemblies start in last summer.

LONDON, Jan. 21 (Reuter)—A German official has recently arrived in Beirut, states the Jerusalem correspondent of the Independent French agency. It says he came via Turkey where he had to wait for some time before obtaining entry into Syria and Lebanon.

FOREIGN MAILS

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United-Kingdom and Straits.	25th Jan.
Swatow.	25th Jan.
Calcutta and Straits.	26th Jan.
U. S. A., Honolulu, Japan, and Shanghai — (San Francisco date 10th January)	28th Jan.
Air Mail by "Pan-American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 22nd January.	29th Jan.
Sandakan.	30th Jan.
Calcutta and Straits.	1st Feb.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai. (San Francisco date 17th January)	8th Feb.

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Canton.	7.00 PM
THURSDAY	Thu. 23rd K.P.O. Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 5.30 PM
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Straits.	7.00 PM
FRIDAY	Fri. 24th K.P.O. Reg. 4.00 PM Ord. 4.30 PM
Air Mail by Air to Rangoon to connect with the "British Overseas Airways"	G.P.O. Reg. 4.00 PM Ord. 4.30 PM
SATURDAY	Sat. 25th G.P.O. & K.P.O. Par. 24th 5.0 PM Reg. 25th 9.45 AM Ord. 25th 10.30 AM
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa, and Parcels only for United Kingdom.	10.30 AM
Sandakan, Madang, Salamauva, Rabaul and Tulagi	
SUNDAY	Sun. 26th 1 5.00 PM
TUESDAY	Tue. 28th G.P.O. & K.P.O. Reg. 25th 5.00 PM Ord. 28th 8.30 AM
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U. S. A., Canada, Central and South America and "United Kingdom via San Francisco"	K.P.O. Reg. 10.30 AM Ord. 11.00 AM
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Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island.	G.P.O. & K.P.O. Reg. 11.15 AM Ord. Noon
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa.	Noon
Rangoon and Calcutta.	Noon
WEDNESDAY	Wed. 29th K.P.O. Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 5.30 PM
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, U. S. A. & Europe via "Pan American Airways and Trans-Atlantic Services"	G.P.O. Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 7.00 PM
Formosa.	7.00 PM
THURSDAY	Thu. 30th 3.30 PM
FRIDAY	Fri. 31st 8.30 AM
Sandakan.	Parcels 11.00 AM Letters Noon
Straits and Calcutta.	
TUESDAY	Tue. Feb. 4th G.P.O. & K.P.O. Par. 3/2 5.00 PM Ord. 4/2 8.30 AM
Manila and Parcels only for United-Kingdom.	K.P.O. Parcels 4.00 PM Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 5.30 PM
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THURSDAY	Thu. 6th 10.30 AM
Straits and Calcutta.	Letters 11.30 AM

Prof. A. L. Goodhart, Professor of Jurisprudence at Oxford University, is to be chairman of the Local Price Regulation Committee for the Southern Region, succeeding Mr. Leo Page, who is taking up another Government appointment.

George Denvers Bell, 40, a Customs and Excise officer of New-road, Dagenham, was at Stratford sentenced to two months' hard labour for stealing £24 10s. from his neighbour's house while the neighbour was sheltering during an air raid.

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